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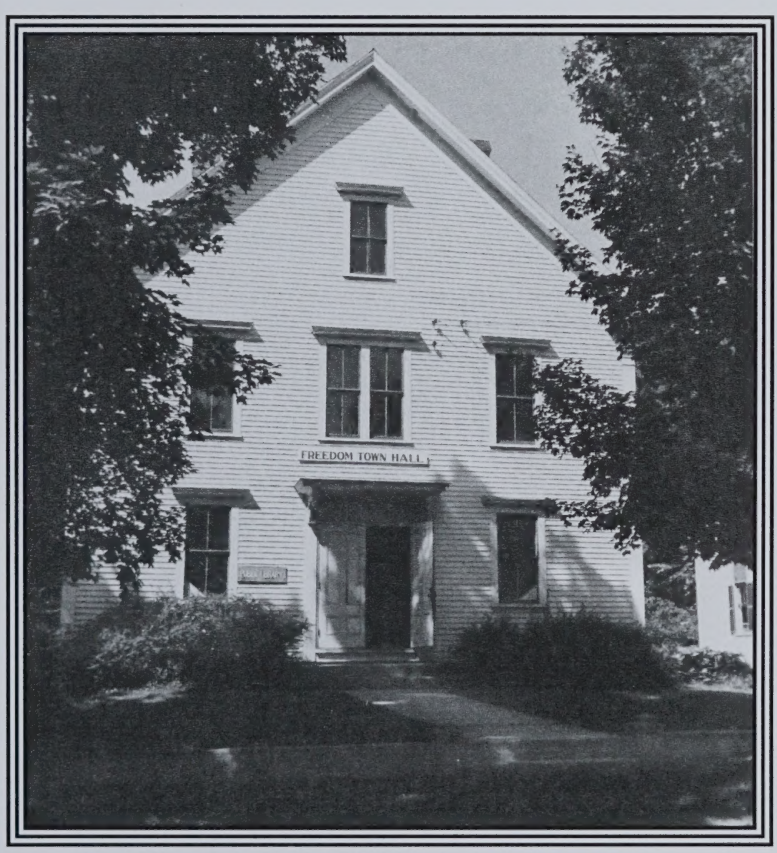

Town of Freedom New Hampshire

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2014

Vital Statistics for 2014

2014 was the 125th anniversary of our Town Hall. Erected in 1889 at the cost of $3,000 which included the land; this building has been in continuous use not only housing town offices and the library in past years but in hosting many community functions. From weddings, classes, dinners, various fundraisers, town board meetings but most important Town Meetings and Elections.

This annual report recognizes two members of the community who has served during Town Meetings and all federal, state and local elections held in our Town Hall.

Today this building is listed on the New Hampshire State Register of Historic Places.

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DEDICATION

This town reported is dedicated to two individual who have served the Town of Freedom collectively for over 75 years.

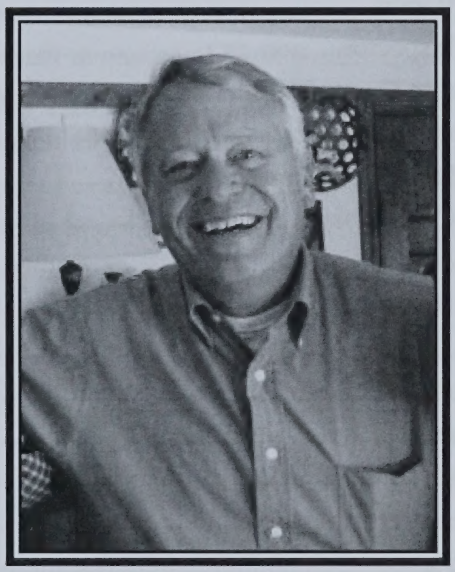
ALICE (Meserve) HASLETT

Alice Haslett has served the town for the past 50 years as ballot clerk. Appointed in 1965 by Moderator Edward Stokes Alice has faithfully and continuously served in this capacity. Not only was she a ballot clerk Alice was a prior president of the Community Club; served as one of the Sunday School teachers and was a past member of the Old Home Week Committee.

Alice continues her post as clerk and as you cast your ballot this year, please thank her for her many years of service.

DEDICATION

DONALD G. JOHNSON



In 1989 Don Johnson was elected as Town Moderator. Don has continuously served in this position for the past 26 years.

Legend has it that Don was quoted saying that Freedom is smoother than silk and smoother than the neighboring moderator during elections. This local banter with Madison was a news story back in 2008. Don has just the right mix of qualities to make our moderator one to be proud of.

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TOWN OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

Moderator: Donald G. Johnson, 2017

Selectmen
Neal Boyle, 2015
Ernest Day, Jr 2016
Leslie Babb, 2017

Town Administrator
Karen Hatch

Administrative Assistant
Linda Farinella

Road Agent
Scott Brooks, 2016

Police Chief
Josh Shackford

Fire Chief/FF Warden
Justin Brooks

Emergency Management Director
Kevin Wells

Safety Officer
Kelly McClare

Animal Control
Jon Evans

Health Officer
Frank Evitts

Town Clerk
A. Elizabeth Priebe, 2016
Sue Brown, Deputy

Treasurer
Pamela Clemens-Keith, 2016
Karen Hatch, Deputy

Tax Collector
Annette Babb, 2017
Nancy Griffin, Deputy

Supervisors of the Checklist
Daniel Brooks, 2016
Carol Stansell, 2018
Patricia McCoy, 2020

Cemetery Trustees
Dorothy Brooks, 2015
Janice Zecher, 2016
Alan Fall, 2017

Trustee of Trust Funds
Patricia McCoy, 2015
Kimberly Reis, 2016
Paul Olzerowicz, 2017

Transfer Station Manager
Justin Brooks

Town Buildings Custodian
Mark McKinley

Zoning Officer
Ned Hatfield

Building Inspector
Robert Babine

Conservation Commission
Gregory Bossart, 2015
William Elliott, 2015
Robert Hatch, 2016
Michael Gaudette, 2016
Alice Custard, 2017
John Roman, 2017
Paul Elie, 2017
Susan Hoople, Alt 2014

Town Forest Advisory Committee
Chuck Depew, 2015
Robert Hatch, 2016
Ron Newbury, 2016
David Charrette, 2017
Janet Meyers, 2017
Janet Johnson, 2017
Neal Boyle, Sel. Rep.

Planning Board
Janet Meyers, 2015
Peter Park, 2015
Anne Cunningham, 2016
Maynard Thomson, 2016
William Elliott, 2017
Jean Marshall, 2017
Pamela Clemons-Keith, Alt 2016
Les Babb, Sel. Rep.

Zoning Board of Adjustment
Craig Niiler, 2015
Timothy Cupka, 2015
Karl Ogren, 2016
Jacob Stephan, 2016
Scott Lees, 2017
John Quigley, Alt 2015
Todd Desmarais, Alt 2016
Dennis Anderson, Alt 2016

Library Trustees
Laura Robinson, 2015
Ann Pierce, 2015
Paul Tung, 2017
Sarah Tabor, Alt 2015

Heritage Commission
Bonnie Burroughs, 2015
Alan Fall, 2015
Carol Foord, 2015
Gale Morris, 2016
Peg Scully, 2017
Robert Smart, 2017
Scott Cunningham, Alt 2016
Raymond Dahlstrom, Alt 2015
Lee Fritz, Alt 2017
Ernest Day, Jr., Sel. Rep.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

According to RSA 40, the town Moderator determines the procedures to be used in Town Meetings. The Moderator determines the rules without regard to parliamentary or other procedural rules. The voters can overturn the Moderator's rules at any time, however. A motion to overturn the Moderator's rules, or establish new rules, will always take precedence to other business which is already "on the floor".

So that you will know the ground rules by which we are maintaining order, these procedural rules are announced to you ahead of time.

- The Moderator will read each article in its entirety before that article is considered.
- There can be no discussion until there has been a motion under the article. (usually the first motion is to approve the article as it appears on the warrant)
- All motions must be seconded by a different individual.
- Discussion will only take place after a motion has been moved and seconded.
- All discussion must take place only when called upon by the Moderator. You must have permission from the Moderator before you can speak.
- When the Moderator recognizes you, standup, speak out loudly and announce your name before proceeding with your comments.
- If you want to change a portion of a motion, you can do so by making an amendment. We will consider only one move to amend at any given time. When discussion regarding an amendment comes to a conclusion, the amendment will be voted upon. If the amendment passes we will then continue considering the original motion as it has now been amended. If the amendment fails, we will return to considering the motion in its form prior to the motion to amend.
- A secret written ballot will be used on any article when requested by any 5 voters in writing (RSA 40:4-a).
- A vote will be re-tabulated by secret written ballot when requested in writing or orally by only 7 voters (RSA 40:40b). This action must be requested before we have already moved onto the next item of business.

One final word of advice from your Moderator: If you want to get action from the Town Meeting, you have to make a motion. It's okay to get up and ask a question or make a comment (as long as it's relevant to what's on the table), but if you want the Town Meeting to discuss and vote on your idea, you have to get it on the table with a motion. Let's work together to have a successful and efficient meeting.

Thank you,
Donald Johnson, Moderator

TOWN OF FREEDOM, N.H.
TOWN MEETING - MARCH 11, 2014
WARRANT - MINUTES [ABRIDGED]

Town meeting and the election of officers for the town and school district and for the State's Special Election for Executive Councilor for District No. 1, held to fill the late Ray Burton's seat, were held on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, at the Freedom Town Hall. The polls opened at 8:00 a.m., and Town Meeting commenced at 9:00 a.m.

The Moderator, Donald Johnson, opened the polls in the downstairs of the town hall at 8:00 a.m., noting the polls would remain open until 7 p.m.

Those present downstairs at the time the polls opened: Donald Johnson, Moderator, Libby Priebe, Town Clerk, Sue Brown, Deputy Town Clerk, Rochelle Brooks and Alice Haslett, ballot clerks, Howard Bouve, Chuck Brooks and Anne Babb, assistants to the Moderator, and the Supervisors of the Checklist: Daniel Brooks, Pat McCoy and Carol Stansell.

Mr. Johnson opened Town Meeting upstairs in the Town Hall at 9:00 a.m. After welcoming everybody, he announced that the previous evening, the Freedom School District had held its annual meeting and approved a bottom line of $3,552,990.00.

Mr. Johnson directed the meeting to the annual Town Report, noting the Warrant starts on Page 22, the Rules of Procedure on Page 3, and explained the use of the voting cards provided by the supervisors of the checklist upon entry into the hall.

Mr. Johnson held up a copy of this year's Town Report and gave special thanks and credit to Karen Hatch and Linda Farinella for a job well done and explained that the photo used on the cover was one of Karen's, depicting a view from her home.

Mr. Johnson introduced the election officials: Donald Johnson, Moderator, Libby Priebe, Town Clerk, John Ratigan, Town Counsel; Neal Boyle, Les Babb and Ernest Day, Jr., Selectmen; Pat McCoy, Supervisor of the Checklist, assisted by Peg Scully, checking voters in at the door and providing the voting cards; and Anne Babb, sitting on the side of the hall, to assist with any written ballot items.

Neal Boyle, Chairman of the Selectmen, welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming and explained that the meeting was being audio and video taped this year. Mr. Boyle asked anyone wanting to speak to please use the microphone so that everyone would be able to hear.

Mr. Johnson asked anyone wishing to speak to come up to the front and be at the microphone, noting it was okay to speak from your seat, but people would need to speak up and if they couldn't be heard, he would insist that they go to the microphone. He also asked that everybody speaking announce their names first, no matter how many times they spoke, to assist with the minutes.

Mr. Johnson led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Johnson then commenced with the reading of the Warrant into the record:

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held at the Freedom Town Hall on Tuesday the 11th day of March 2014 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects.

There will be voting by Official Ballot for the election of Executive Councilor, Town Officers, for adoption of Zoning Amendments and a petitioned article. The polls open at 8:00am and close at 7:00pm unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close at 7:00pm.

All other articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 9:00am at the Freedom Town Hall.

PLEASE NOTE: for the purposes of these minutes: (a) there were a total of 306 ballots cast for this election, with 1132 voters on the checklist at the beginning of the day, 18 new voters registering during the day, totaling 1150 at day's end, for a 26.6% +/- voter turn-out; (b) the election results are included herein and (c) a write-in candidate must have received a minimum of five (5) votes to be included or have been declared the winner with less than five (5) votes:

Article 1: (To vote by Official Ballot)
To bring in your votes for Executive Councilor. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

SPECIAL ELECTION FOR EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR

Joseph D. Kenney	141
Michael J. Cryans	152

Joseph D. Kenney was elected to this position after all votes were tallied in District No. 1. The results were announced by the Secretary of State's Office.

TOWN OFFICERS:

Selectman, vote for one (3 yr term):	Leslie R. Babb	251
Moderator, vote for one (2 yr term):	Donald G. Johnson	273
Tax Collector, vote for one (3 yr term):	Annette M. Babb	267
Supervisor of the Checklist, vote for one (six yr term):	Patricia E. McCoy	264
Trustee of the Trust Funds, vote for one (3 yr term):	Paul Olzerowicz	44
	Eric Bossidy	5

[Paul Olzerowicz declared the winner.]

SCHOOL OFFICERS:

School Moderator, vote for one (1 yr term):	Donald G. Johnson	278
School Board Member, vote for one, (3 yr term):	Todd D. Desmarais, Sr.	250
School District Auditor, vote for one, (1 yr term):	Michael Gaudette	7
School District Clerk, vote for one, (1 yr term):	Dianne M. Park	255

Article 2: (To vote by Official Ballot): **[VOTE: 159 YES 136 NO]**
[Article 2 passes.]

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Appendix A to change the zoning district assignment from Residential/Light Commercial to Village Residential along Route 153 from the Effingham Town line to lots 9 and 11 on Map 44 inclusive, and also including lots 1-2 and 6 on Map 44?

Mr. Johnson read the Article into the record, noting it was on the official ballot at the polls downstairs, then asked if anybody had any questions or comments.

Discussion.

Article 3: (To vote by Official Ballot): **[VOTE: 232 YES 60 NO]**
[Article 3 passes.]

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend the language and rules in Article 3, Section 304.6.5, Special Exception Standards for Tree Cutting in the Shorefront District by altering the ordinance's standards for obtaining a special exception for cutting and removing trees and natural vegetation in the Shorefront District? This replaces a reference to state law, RSA 483-B, by adding specific language from this law into the ordinance. It also adds language to allow the Zoning Officer to issue a permit to allow limited cutting of trees and the removal of dead, diseased, or unsafe trees. Presently, the Zoning Officer does not have this authority under the terms of the existing ordinance?

Article 3 read into the record: no questions, no discussion.

Article 4: (To vote by Official Ballot): **[VOTE: 223 YES 65 NO]**
[Article 4 passes.]

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Article 18, section 1802 Definitions, to add the following definition of ground cover? "Ground Cover" means any herbaceous plant or any woody seedling or shrub generally less than 3 feet in height. Natural ground cover shall not include lawns, landscaped areas, gardens, invasive species as listed by the N.H. Department of Agriculture,

Markets and Food in accordance with RSA 430:53,III, exotic species as designed by rule of the N.H. Department of Environmental Services in accordance with RSA 487:24, VII, imported organic or stone mulch, or other artificial materials?

Article 4 read into the record. Anne Cunningham noted two things: (1) the laws of the State of NH direct what must be done and in what way. The proposed change corrects and places the correct language in our ordinance and (2) allows the Zoning Officer to authorize tree cutting/removal, instead of the need to go to the ZBA, as is currently the process. This change will make the process easier and also up-dates the definitions in Article 19.

No questions; no discussion.

Article 5: (To vote by Official Ballot): **[VOTE: 164 YES 129 NO]**
[Article 5 passes.]

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Article 3, section 309, Accessory Uses, to establish more restrictive standards for granting a special exception to operate commercial business uses as an accessory use in residential districts?

Article 5 read into the record. No questions; no discussion.

Article 6 : (By petition) **[VOTE: 171 YES 126 NO]**
(To vote by Official Ballot) **[Article 6 passes.]**

"Do you approve of having 2 sessions for the annual town meeting in this town, the first session for choice of town officers elected by an official ballot and other action required to be inserted on said official ballot and the second session, on a date set by the selectmen, for transaction of other business?"

Article 6 read into the record.

Discussion.

Article 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,222,607 for General Government for (FY 2014) as follows:

General Government		**$ 476,011.00**
Total Town Office	266,380.00	
Election and Registration	11,500.00	
Legal Expense	24,000.00	
Payroll Taxes	51,054.00	
Planning and Zoning Boards	5,800.00	
Public Buildings	67,380.00	
Cemeteries	3,725.00	
Insurance	43,948.00	
Region Planning Com.	2,224.00	
Total General Government:	$476,011.00	

Public Safety		**$ 518,266.00**
Total Police Department	315,480.00	
Total Fire Department	133,050.00	
Ambulance Service	37,000.00	
Building Inspector	13,160.00	
Zoning Officer	6,300.00	
Forest Fire Protection	3,000.00	
Emergency Management & Safety	3,900.00	
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	5,976.00	
Water Precinct	400.00	
Total Public Safety:	$518,266.00	
Highways and Streets		**$801,700.00**
Total Wages and benefits	415,532.00	
Total Expenses	374,168.00	
Total Highway Department	789,700.00	
Street Lights	12,000.00	
Total Highways and Streets:	801,700.00	
Sanitation (Transfer Station)		**$181,574.00**
Total Wages & benefits	82,522.00	
Total Expenses	99,052.00	
Total Sanitation:	181,574.00	
Health:		**$15,265.00**
Welfare:		**$7,000.00**
Culture and Recreation:		**$81,315.00**
Conservation:		**$13,050.00**
Debt Service:		**$128,426.00**
TOTAL FOR ARTICLE 7:		**$2,222,607.00**

MOTION: Neal Boyle
SECONDED: Les Babb

Discussion.

MOTION TO AMEND the bottom line by adding $17,400.00 to the expenses of the highway department due to the severe winter for the purchase of additional sand and salt made by **Scott N. Brooks, Sr.**

SECONDED: Justin Brooks.

VOTE on motion to amend the bottom line for Article 7 from $2,222,607.00 by $17,400.00 to $2,240,007.00, raising the total for Highways and Streets from $801,700.00 to $819,100.00:

YES: MOTION TO AMEND CARRIES.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 7 as amended to a new bottom line total of $2,240,007.00: YES - Article 7 carries.

Article 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $28,572.00 for this year's contract with R.B. Wood & Associates, LLC to complete the necessary new construction assessing for the year and all other assessing duties required for the year.

MOTION: Les Babb
SECONDED: Scott Cunningham

VOTE on Article 8: YES, Article 8 carries.

Article 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $160,000.00 to purchase a new 4 x 4 wheeled loader for the Highway Department; to be paid for by taxes; trade in of existing loader of $30,000.00 and the withdrawal of up to $60,000.00 from the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Ernest Day, Jr. noted the wording needed to be changed on Article 9 and made the **MOTION** as follows:

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $149,000.00 to purchase a new 4 x 4 wheeled loader for the Highway Department; to be paid for by taxes; trade in of existing loader of $40,000.00 and the withdrawal of up to $59,000.00 from the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

SECONDED: Justin Brooks

Selectman Day explained that there had been two bids received and based on those bids and in order to purchase the loader in accordance with the Road Agent's specifications, the article was amended accordingly.

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 9: Yes, Article 9 carries.

Article 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $68,000.00 to repave on Town Roads.

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.
SECONDED: Scott Brooks, Sr.

Selectman Day noted this was an annual maintenance article.
No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 10: Yes, Article 10 carries.

Article 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $42,000.00

to sealcoat on Town Roads.

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.
SECONDED: Paul Tung

Selectman Day noted that this is for the maintenance plan in place.

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 11: Yes, Article 11 carries.

Article 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,000.00 for road crack sealing on Town Roads.

MOTION: Ernest Day, Jr.
SECONDED: Scott Cunningham

Selectman Day noted this is an annual maintenance article.

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 12: Yes, Article 12 carries.

Article 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,500.00 for the purchase of a RAD 57 pulse co-oximeter for the Fire-Rescue Department.

MOTION: Les Babb
SECONDED: Justin Brooks

Selectman Babb explained this would be for the detection of carbon monoxide.

Fireman/EMT Rob Cunio explained that carbon monoxide is known as the silent killer. This tool would be used to check residences and fire scenes to help determine exposure, allowing assessment at the scene and possibly preventing a trip to the hospital.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 13: YES, Article 13 carries.

Article 14:

To see if the Town will vote to form a municipal fire department as per RSA 154:1,I(b), whereby the Fire Chief shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, with firefighters appointed by the Board of Selectmen upon recommendation of the Fire Chief. The Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to take what additional steps are legally necessary to effectuate the above transaction. This Warrant Article shall be come effective as of July 1, 2014.

MOTION: Les Babb
SECONDED: Justin Brooks

VOTE ON ARTICLE 14: YES, Article 14 carries.

Article 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 for a licensed forester to oversee the administration of forestry activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

MOTION: Neal Boyle
SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

VOTE ON ARTICLE 15: YES, Article 15 carries.

Article 16:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,300.00 for maintenance activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

MOTION: Neal Boyle
SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

VOTE ON ARTICLE 16: YES, Article 16 carries.

Article 17:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to install a new fire alarm system at the Town Hall.

MOTION: Neal Boyle
SECONDED: Les Babb

VOTE ON ARTICLE 17: YES, Article 17 carries.

Article 18:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 for a Community Survey to obtain taxpayer and resident views on Master Plan topics. This data to be used in the update of the Town's Master Plan.

MOTION: Les Babb
SECONDED: Anne Cunningham

VOTE ON ARTICLE 18: YES, Article 18 carries.

Article 19:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,000.00 to be added to the Municipal Land and Building Fund of the Town previously established.
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Les Babb
SECONDED: Justin Brooks

VOTE ON ARTICLE 19: YES, Article 19 carries.

Article 20:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $ 20,000.00

to be added to the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Les Babb
SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

VOTE ON ARTICLE 20: YES, Article 20 carries.

Article 21:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,000.00 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Les Babb
SECONDED: Paul Tung

Pat McCoy, as a Trustee of the Trust Funds, noted that the word "Equipment" should be added to both Articles 20 and 21 to match the actual names of the existing Capital Reserve Funds.

Moderator Don Johnson explained that a motion could be made to add that word to the current Article 21 under discussion, but Article 20 would need to be brought up again under Article 27 (to transact any other business).

Pat McCoy made a **MOTION to amend** Article 21 to add the word 'Equipment" to the Article, so Article 21 would now read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,000.00 to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

SECONDED: David Pomerleau.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND: YES, the Amendment carries.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 21 as Amended: YES, Article 21 carries.

Article 22:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000.00 to be added to the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Moderator Johnson recommended that this motion be entered into the record correctly, referring to the "Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund".

MOTION by Ernest Day, Jr. "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000.00 to be added to the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established."

SECONDED: Jack Wolter.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 22: YES, Article 22 carries.

Article 23:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,100.00 to be added to the Library Expendable Trust Fund of the Town previously established. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Neal Boyle
SECONDED: David Pomerleau

VOTE ON ARTICLE 23: YES, Article 23 carries.

Article 24: (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 for a contribution to the Freedom Food Pantry to assist in their efforts.

MOTION: Neal Boyle
SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

VOTE ON ARTICLE 24: YES, Article 24 carries.

Article 25: (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to conduct a planning ("build-out") analysis to determine the total number of houses that can be built around Danforth Ponds, Berry Bay, Leavitt Bay and Broad Bay.

MOTION: John Shipman
SECONDED: Jim McElroy

VOTE ON ARTICLE 25: YES, Article 25 carries.

Article 26: (By Petition)

"I(we), the undersigned, property owners, taxpayers, and/or residents of the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire, do hereby petition to see if the Town of Freedom will accept Durgin Hill Road as a public road".

MOTION: Mike Douglass
SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

Discussion.

MOTION to move the question made by Dave McCue. Moderator Johnson noted that a second is not required, but a 2/3 majority vote is. **VOTE TO MOVE: YES**, the motion to move the question carries by more than a 2/3 majority.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 26 - by written "Yes"/ "No" ballots: YES: 76, NO 34 [101 total votes cast] - YES, Article 26 carries.

Article 27:

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Les Babb presented Town Administrator, Karen Hatch, with a plaque made by Herb Borroughs showing a 3-D wooden scene depicting the Town Office Building and Bandstand, with an engraved-plate thank you to Karen from the town

for her twenty-five years of dedicated service affixed thereto. Les Babb noted that Karen loves the Town and it is very appropriate for the town to thank her and recognize her service.

John Shipman presented a very old, framed Old Home Week Poster from the Freedom Historical Society to the Selectmen, to be displayed at the Town Office and held in safekeeping.

Pat McCoy made a **MOTION to re-consider Article 20; SECONDED** by Mike Gaudette.

VOTE ON MOTION TO RECONSIDER: YES, motion to reconsider Article 20 carries.

Pat made a **MOTION TO AMEND** Article 20 to include the word "Equipment", to match the exact name of the existing capital reserve fund, so the Article now reads: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established".

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette.

VOTE on motion to amend: YES, the amendment carries.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 20 as amended: YES, Article 20 as amended carries.

Carol Stokes DeMore made a **MOTION** to establish a committee to research and document the evolution of the zoning designation on Route 153 and to recommend a corrective action plan, if necessary, to ensure future changes to zoning ordinances are correctly documented and follow accepted legal procedures; and also make recommendations to ensure that all future articles brought before the town are written in such a way to ensure a lay person can understand them and ultimately vote on them. **SECONDED** by Ellie Stokes.

VOTE on MOTION as set forth above: NO; the motion fails.

Bobbie McCracken asked if the Highway Budget needed to be adjusted now that the Durgin Hill Road has been accepted?

Road Agent Scott Brooks explained that he does not have any money in the budget previously approved earlier in Article 7 for the Durgin Hill Road and urged that the meeting reconsider Article 7, estimating an additional $12,000.00 would be needed.

Bobbie McCracken **MADE A MOTION** to reconsider Article 7; **SECONDED** by Glenn McCracken.

VOTE on MOTION TO RECONSIDER ARTICLE 7: YES, motion to reconsider Article 7 passes.

Bobbie McCracken made a **MOTION** to increase the bottom line of Article 7 by $12,000.00; **SECONDED** by Glenn McCracken.

VOTE on MOTION TO AMEND: Yes, the motion to amend carries.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 7, as further amended, making the new bottom line total $2,252,007.00: **YES, Article 7 as further amended to $2,252,007.00 carries.**

Justin Brooks made a **MOTION TO ADJOURN** at 12:10 p.m., seconded and/or confirmed by all present (constituting at least a 2/3 majority).

A true copy, attest

/s/ A. ELIZABETH PRIEBE
A. ELIZABETH PRIEBE,
TOWN CLERK

WARRANT 2015

The polls will be open from 8:00am to 7:00pm

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom, in the County of Carroll, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Freedom, on Tuesday, the 10th day of March, 2015 at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon Articles 1 through 6, which shall be voting by official ballot for the election of Town officers and zoning amendments. The polls shall be open from 8:00 a.m. and shall close at 7 p.m., unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close at 7 p.m.

The business meeting to present, discuss and act upon Articles 7 through 27 will commence at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 14th, 2015 at the Freedom Town Hall.

Article 1: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Add section 304.6.1 to the zoning ordinance to require a town permit for construction, excavation, and filling within the protected shoreland. Freedom will issue a permit upon review of the permit by notification required by the State of New Hampshire under RSA 483-B:5b I. (a). Adding this section will place no additional requirements on the applicant above what is currently required by state law. If this ARTICLE passes, table 304.5 will be revised to reflect this change.

Article 3: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Repeal section 304.6.3.2 Construction Not Exceeding 600 Square Feet of Disturbance because the adoption of section 304.6.1 will cover all construction projects of 600 feet and under. The repeal of this article shall become effective only if ARTICLE 2 (amendment 1, above) is adopted.

Article 4: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Change section 310.1.5, the 10% coverage rule for structures on lots, to change the method of calculating the coverage to include only the area of the lot covered by roofs. (The changes to section 304.6.1 will cover all other impermeable surfaces.)

Article 5: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Modify the requirements in section 304.6.5.7 regarding cutting dead, diseased, and unsafe trees to allow an applicant wishing to remove dead, diseased, or unsafe trees to obtain the opinion of a certified arborist or a licensed NH forester to attest to the condition of the tree(s).

Article 6: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Add a definition of living space to section 1802 to clarify what living space is and the requirements for using parts of structures as living space:

> Living space is space used for recreational activities, sleeping, storage, or other uses accessory to the primary home. Living space cannot include a stove and/or other cooking appliances. Inclusion of a stove or other cooking appliances creates a dwelling unit. Any living space used for sleeping must meet all building code and life safety requirements.

Article 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,243,239 for General Government for FY 2015 as follows:

	FY 2014 APPROP	FY2014 EXP	FY 2015 APPROP
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Town Office:			
Wages, Fees, Benefits:			
Town Officers Salaries	29,150	29,150	54,934
Selectemen's Fees	250	50	200
Town Clerk Fees	12,200	13,252	0
Town Clerk Costs	4,400	1,540	5,600
Deputy Town Clerk	2,630	2,433	2,650
Tax Collector Fees/Costs	20,000	19,875	20,500
Salaries - Full Time	82,000	83,467	85,000
Salaries - Part Time	5,500	5,293	6,000
Retirement	3,500	2,672	2,700
Health/Dental Insurance	58,800	56,801	58,808
Life/Disability Insurance	2,200	2,178	2,300
Total Wages, Fees, Benefits	220,630	216,711	238,692
Town Office Expense	45,750	42,329	43,300
Total Town Office	**266,380**	**259,040**	**281,992**

	FY 2014 APPROP	FY2014 EXP	FY 2015 APPROP
Election and Registration	**11,500**	**12,473**	**6,300**
Legal Expense	**24,000**	**22,916**	**24,000**
Payroll Taxes	**51,054**	**45,925**	**47,867**
Planning and Zoning Boards:			
Wages - Part Time	1,900	1,818	1,900
Expense	3,900	3,346	4,000
Total Planning and Zoning Boards	**5,800**	**5,164**	**5,900**
Public Buildings:			
Wages - Part Time	10,300	9,031	10,300
Expenses	57,080	48,569	57,130
Total Public Buildings	**67,380**	**57,600**	**67,430**
Cemeteries	**3,725**	**2,225**	**3,725**
Insurance	**43,948**	**43,948**	**48,692**
Lakes Region Planning Commission	**2,224**	**2,224**	**2,271**
Total General Government	**476,011**	**451,515**	**488,177**
PUBLIC SAFETY:			
Police Department:			
Wages, Benefits:			
Salaries - Full Time	124,500	129,613	124,500
Salaries - Part Time	46,000	40,981	46,000
Overtime/Holiday/Severance	14,634	22,737	14,634
Retirement	38,000	37,917	38,000
Health/Dental Insurance	48,516	46,492	48,516
Life/Disability Insurance	930	890	930
Total Wages and Benefits	272,580	278,630	272,580
Expenses	42,900	32,007	42,400
Total Police Department	**315,480**	**310,637**	**314,980**
Fire Department:			
Wages, Benefits			
Salaries - Part Time Chief	12,360	13,390	12,360
Part-Time Station Duty	36,640	36,778	37,540
Stipend for Response	30,000	30,000	30,000
Expense	54,050	53,188	59,900
Total Fire Department	**133,050**	**133,356**	**139,800**
Ambulance Service	**37,000**	**37,000**	**37,250**
Building Inspector	**13,160**	**12,176**	**13,299**
Zoning Officer	**6,300**	**4,801**	**6,300**

	FY 2014 APPROP	FY2014 EXP	FY 2015 APPROP
Forest Fire Protection	**3,000**	**2,999**	**3,000**
Emergency Management & Safety	**3,900**	**4,518**	**750**
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	**5,976**	**5,976**	**5,826**
Water Precinct	**400**	**400**	**400**
Total Public Safety	**518,266**	**511,863**	**521,605**
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:			
Highway Department:			
Wages and Benefits:			
Salaries - Full Time	207,555	180,237	188,581
Salaries - Part Time	20,323	27,936	20,323
Salaries - Overtime	65,754	35,312	52,008
Retirement	6,800	4,864	6,800
Health/Dental Insurance	112,100	87,175	112,100
Life/Disability Insurance	3,000	3,522	3,600
Total Wages and Benefits	**415,532**	**339,046**	**383,412**
Expenses:			
Rental Equipment	113,400	95,707	120,362
Contract Services	22,000	48,032	28,038
Operating Expenses	238,768	289,164	254,368
Total Expenses	374,168	432,903	402,768
Total Highway Department	**789,700**	**771,949**	**786,180**
Street Lights	12,000	11,677	12,000
Total Highways and Streets	**801,700**	**783,626**	**798,180**
SANITATION:			
Transfer Station:			
Wages - Full Time	40,492	41,671	40,492
Wages - Part Time	12,000	11,863	12,000
Retirement	1,200	1,215	1,215
Health/Dental Insurance	28,030	26,492	28,046
Life/Disability Insurance	800	775	800
Total Wages and Benefits	**82,522**	**82,016**	**82,553**
Expenses:			
Engineering	6,450	5,926	2,500
Transport Materials	80,000	80,388	85,000
Operating Expenses	12,602	16,179	16,725
Total Expenses	99,052	102,493	104,225
Total Sanitation	**181,574**	**184,509**	**186,778**

	FY 2014 APPROP	FY2014 EXP	FY 2015 APPROP
HEALTH:			
Salary and Expenses	800	466	800
Agencies:			
Carroll County Mental Health	1,433	1,433	1,433
Children Unlimited	2,000	2,000	2,000
Community Action Program	4,000	4,000	4,000
White Mt Health Center	1,707	1,707	0
Starting Point	1,036	1,036	1,313
Red Cross	1,292	1,292	1,300
Central NH VNA & Hospice	2,247	2,247	2,247
Ossipee Children's Fund	650	650	650
Life Flight Foundation	100	100	100
Total Health	**15,265**	**14,931**	**13,843**
WELFARE:			
Salary	1,800	1,401	1,800
Town Needy	5,200	1,880	10,200
Total Welfare	**7,000**	**3,281**	**12,000**
CULTURE AND RECREATION:			
Parks and Recreation	7,850	5,993	10,100
Library	70,165	70,165	77,450
Memorial Day	800	621	1,000
Old Home Week	2,000	2,000	2,000
Heritage Commission	500	62	500
Total Culture and Recreation	**81,315**	**78,841**	**91,050**
CONSERVATION:			
Conservation Commission	2,800	1,364	2,580
Water Quality Testing	3,000	3,000	3,000
Milfoil Remediation	6,500	6,500	0
Aquatic Invasive Species	750	811	750
Total Conservation	**13,050**	**11,675**	**6,330**
DEBT SERVICE:			
Bond Principal	75,000	75,000	75,000
Lease Principal	26,048	26,048	26,774
Bond Interest	19,200	19,200	16,200
Lease Interest	3,028	3,028	2,302
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	5,000	0	5,000
Other Interest	150	0	0
Total Debt Service	**128,426**	**123,276**	**125,276**
TOTAL ARTICLE 7	**2,222,607**	**2,163,517**	**2,243,239**

Article 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $29,148.00 for this year's contract with R.B.Wood & Associates, LLC to complete the necessary new construction assessing for the year and all other assessing duties required for the year.

Article 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $68,000.00 to repave on Town Roads.

Article 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $52,000.00 to sealcoat on Town Roads.

Article 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $14,000.00 for road crack sealing on Town Roads.

Article 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 for the purchase of a Physio-Control Lucas 2 chest compression system for the Fire-Rescue Department.

Article 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 for a licensed forester to oversee the administration of forestry activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

Article 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $16,000.00 for maintenance activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

Article 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to complete and present the results of the community survey and to update the maps for the Master Plan.

Article 16:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,000.00 for the removal of milfoil; to be funded by the withdrawal of $1,500.00 from the Removal of Milfoil Expendable Trust Fund and the remainder to come from general taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 17:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,000.00 to be added to the Municipal Land and Building Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 18:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 19:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,000.00 to be added to the Highway Drainage Structures Improvement Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 20:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000.00 to be added to the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 21:

To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Freedom Public Library Expendable Trust Fund to include an additional purpose "ground maintenance at the Library". (2/3 vote required)

Article 22:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 to be added to the Freedom Public Library Expendable Trust Fund previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 23:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with NH RSA 35:1 to be known as the Town Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of repair or replacement of roads and bridges within the town; to raise and appropriate the sum of $250,000.00 to be placed in this fund with an offset of $100,000 to come from unassigned fund balance and the remaining to be raised by general taxation; and furthermore to name the selectmen as agents to expend from said fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 24: (By Petition)
This is a petition to request that a walk/run/bike path be paved on Pequawket Trail from Ossipee Lake Road to the entrance of Totem Pole Camping Park, approximately 1.1 miles, on each side of the road.

Article 25: (By Petition)
I (We), the undersigned, property owners, taxpayers, and/or residents of the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire, do hereby petition to see if the Town of Freedom will accept Beach Club Drive as a public road.

Article 26:
To see if the Town will vote to enter into a multi-year agreement (which may include an intergovernmental agreement under RSA Chapter 53-A), with one or more ambulance service providers and/or other regional municipalities such as, but not necessarily including or limited to, the Towns of Eaton, Effingham, Ossipee, Madison and Tamworth, to provide emergency medical/ambulance services.

Recommended by Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 27:
To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 9th day of February in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Fifteen.

A true copy, attest

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Leslie R. Babb
Ernest F. Day, Jr.
Neal E. Boyle

BUDGET
OF THE TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations Prior Year	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year
General Government			
Executive	$29,150	$29,150	$54,934
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	11,500	12,473	6,300
Financial Administration	237,230	229,890	227,058
Revaluation of Property	28,572	28,572	29,148
Legal Expenses	24,000	22,916	24,000
Personnel Administration	51,054	45,925	47,867
Planning and Zoning	22,100	19,965	12,200
General Government Buildings	67,380	57,600	67,430
Cemeteries	3,725	2,225	3,725
Insurance	43,948	43,948	48,692
Regional Assoc	2,224	2,224	2,271
Public Safety			
Police	315,480	310,637	314,980
Ambulance	37,000	37,000	37,250
Fire	136,050	136,356	142,800
Building Inspection	13,160	12,176	13,299
Emergency Management	3,900	4,518	750
Hydrants, Dam Safety	6,376	6,376	6,226
Highway and Streets			
Highway and Street	943,100	884,403	920,180
Street Lighting	12,000	11,677	12,000
Sanitation			
Solid Waste Disposal	181,574	184,509	186,778
Health			
Health Officer	800	466	800
Health Agencies	14,465	14,465	13,043
Welfare			
Administration	1,800	1,401	1,800
Vendor Payments & Other	10,200	6,880	10,200

Culture and Recreation			
Parks and Recreation	7,850	5,993	10,100
Library	70,165	70,165	77,450
Patriotic Purposes	800	621	1,000
Other Culture and Recreation	2,500	2,062	2,500
Conservation			
Administration	2,800	1,364	2,580
Other Conservation	24,550	24,611	33,750
Debt Services			
Princ-Long Term Bonds & Notes	101,048	101,048	101,774
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	22,228	22,228	18,502
Interest on TANs	5,000	0	5,000
Other Debt Service	150	0	0
Capital Outlay			
Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	154,500	154,360	15,000
Buildings	5,000	4,753	
Improvements Other Than Buildings			5,000
Operating Transfer Out			
To Capital Reserve Fund	53,000	53,000	303,000
To Trust Fund	2,100	2,100	1,500
TOTAL	**$2,648,479**	**$2,548,057**	**$2,760,887**

	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing FY
SOURCE OF REVENUE			
Taxes			
Land Use Change Tax	0	2,050	0
Timber Taxes	18,500	5,075	13,000
Other Taxes - Boat	4,500	6,234	5,500
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	55,000	71,505	60,000
Licenses, Permits and Fees			
Business Licenses & Permits	6,700	6,400	6,400
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	250,000	300,016	275,000
Building Permits	15,000	13,616	15,000
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees	25,000	18,330	21,000

From State			
Meal & Rooms Tax Distribution	60,000	72,991	60,000
Highway Block Grant	70,000	71,307	70,000
Charges for Services			
Income from Departments	8,600	8,600	8,600
Other Charges	500	696	1,500
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Municipal Property	1,200	40,000	0
Interest on Investments	1,800	1,546	1,500
Other	10,000	31,944	20,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In			
From Capital Reserve Fund	60,000	59,000	1,500
From Conservation Funds	14,300	14,300	22,000
Total Estimated Revenue & Credits	**$601,100**	**$723,610**	**$581,000**

Appropriations Recommended	$2,456,387
Special Warrant Articles	304,500
Total Appropriations	$2,760,887
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenue & Credits	$581,000
Amount of Taxes to be Raised	$2,179,887

TOWN OF FREEDOM
DETAIL OF REVENUE
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2014

Source		Amount
Property Tax Levy	$6,001,306	
Interest & Penalties Late Taxes	71,505	
Yield Tax	5,075	
Boat Tax	6,234	
Land Use Change Tax	2,050	$6,086,170
State Aid:		
Meals & Rooms Distribution	72,991	
Highway Block Grant	71,307	144,298
Town Clerk:		
State UCC	285	
Wetlands, PSNH Pole	100	
Dog Licenses	486	
Vehicle Registrations	300,016	
Other Fees	455	301,342
Transfer Station:		
Permits	2,170	
Tipping Fees	11,764	
Recycling Revenue	2,305	16,239
Building Inspector:		
Permits		13,616
Police Department:		
Reports, etc	25	
Special Detail Fees	696	721
Selectmen:		
Copies-Printouts-Maps-Checklists-Fax	1,047	
Donations	6,500	
Planning Board Fees	678	
ZBA Fees	2,365	
Winter Road Maintenance Fees	1,890	
Other Permits and Fees	441	
Town of Eaton (Fire)	8,600	
Cable TV Franchise Fee	6,401	
Sale of Town Property	40,000	
Rents of Property	435	

Interest Income	1,546	
Reimbursement from Sale of Property	1,556	
2012 Vendor Reimbursement	591	72,050
Health Insurance Premium Return (per court order)		17,179
Special Revenue Fund Transfer (Conservation)		14,300
Capital Reserve - Highway Department		59,000
TOTAL		**$6,724,915**

TOWN OF FREEDOM
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
FISCAL YEAR 2014

	BALANCE 01/01/14	NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED	TRANSFER TO GENL FUND REVENUE	BALANCE 12/31/14
INTERFUND TRANSFERS IN:					
Cemetery P/C Int.	4,091	80			4,171
New Municipal Bldg/Land	5,000				5,000
Town Road R-O-W					
Total Transfers In	**9,091**	**80**			**9,171**
GIFTS AND DONATIONS:					
General Government:					
Town Hall - Kitchen	0	300			300
Public Safety:					
Police Dept	500	500			1,000
K9 Dog	156	350	284		222
Fire Dept	887	3,311	4,198		0
Highways:					
Highway Dept	1,783	250			2,033
Culture and Recreation:					
Recreation	600	300			900
Total Gifts and Donations	**3,926**	**5,011**	**4,482**		**4,455**
POLICE - Outside Detail	**-492**	**2,522**	**2,030**		**0**
GRANTS - Fire Department	**0**	**3,000**	**4,500**		**-1,500**
CONSERVATION:					
Gifts	195				195
Milfoil Grant	0	6,523	7,333		-810
Milfoil Gifts	10,368	3,500	6,970		6,898
Land Use Tax	16,245	1,025	2,405		14,865
Wildlife Habitat	17,945	1,025	2,500		16,470
Town Forest Maintenance	71,509	9,362		14,300	66,571
Town Forest Trail Grant	0		2,405		-2,405
Town Forest Stewardship Gifts	3,599	500			4,099
Total Conservation	**119,861**	**21,935**	**21,613**	**14,300**	**105,883**
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	**132,386**	**32,548**	**32,625**	**14,300**	**118,009**

PROPERTY VALUATION
INVENTORY SCHEDULE

Value of Land	Acres	2014 Assessed Valuation	Totals
A. Current Use	11,628	$819,723	
(at current use values)			
B. Residential	6,177	244,262,600	
C. Commercial/Industrial	414	4,965,000	

Total of Taxable Land $250,047,323

Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Land (13,069,300)

Value of Buildings Only

A. Residential $213,801,917
B. Manufactured Housing 20,507,100
C. Commercial/Industrial 8,088,900
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement (9 structures) ... 34,583

Total of Taxable Buildings 242,432,500

Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Buildings (10,138,700)

Public Utilities - Value of all property used in production, transmission and distribution including production, machinery, land, land rights, easements, etc.

Electric $4,626,600

Total Public Utilities 4,626,600

Valuation Before Exemptions **$497,106,423**

Blind Exemptions RSA 72:38-b
Total Number Granted 1 ..... $15,000
Elderly Exemptions RSA 72:39, a and b
Total Number Granted 11 475,000
Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b
Total Number Granted 1 20,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions 510,000

Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is Computed **$496,596,423**
Less Public Utilities 4,626,600
Net Valuation without utilities which Tax Rate for State Education Tax is Computed **$491,969,823**

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

Purpose of Appropriations

General Government

Town Officers Salaries	$29,150
Election & Registrations	11,500
Town Officers Expenses	237,230
Revaluation of Property	28,572
Legal Expenses	24,000
Personnel Administration	51,054
Planning and Zoning	22,100
General Government Buildings	67,380
Cemeteries	3,725
Insurance	43,948
Lakes Region Planning	2,224
Heritage Commission	500

Public Safety

Police	315,480
Ambulance	37,000
Fire	136,050
Building Inspection	13,160
Emergency Management	3,900
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	5,976
Water Precinct	400

Highway Streets and Bridges

Highway Streets and Bridges	943,100
Street Lighting	12,000

Sanitation

Solid Waste Disposal	181,574

Health

Administration	800
Health Agencies	14,465

Welfare

Administration	1,800
Vendor Payments	10,200

Culture and Recreation

Parks & Recreation	7,850
Library	70,165
Patriotic Purposes	800
Old Home Week	2,000

Conservations

Administration of Natural Recourses	2,800
Other Conservation	24,550

Debt Services

Bond Principal	101,048
Bond Interest	22,228
Interest on TAN	5,000
Other Interest	150

Capital Outlay

Machinery Vehicle and Equipment	154,500
Improvements Other Than Buildings	5,000

Operating Transfers Out

Capital Reserve Funds

Highway	20,000
Municipal Land and Building Fund	12,000
Fire Department	11,000
Police Department	10,000

Trust Funds

Library	2,100

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS.....$2,648,479

Certification

This is to certify that the information contained in this form appropriations actually voted by the town meeting were taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Selectmen of Freedom
Leslie Babb
Ernest Day Jr.
Neal Boyle

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officer Salaries

Selectmen	$15,000
Town Clerk	5,000
Tax Collector	6,000
Town Treasurer	3,000
Trustee of Trust Funds	150
Expended	$29,150
Appropriated	29,150
Balance	0

Town Office Expenses

Selectmen's Fees	$50
Town Clerk Fees & Costs	14,792
Deputy Town Clerk	2,433
Tax Collector Fees & Costs	19,875
Town Administrator	51,852
Administrative Assistant	31,615
Part-time Salary	5,293
Health/Dental Insurance	56,801
Life/Disability Insurance	2,178
Retirement	2,672
Reimbursable Expense	2,414
Computer Support	11,099
Dues	2,500
Tax Map Updates	3,471
Meeting/Training	30
Office Supplies	5,058
Telephone	2,761
Printing/Postage/Notices	2,850
Professional Audit	10,402
Bank Charges	146
Expended	$228,292
Encumbered	1,598
Total	229,890
Appropriated	229,890
Under run	$7,340

Election & Registration

Workers	$9,030
Printing/Advertising	2,782
Operating	661
Expended	$12,473
Appropriated	11,500
Over run	$973

Revaluation of Property	Expended	$28,572
	Appropriated	28,572
	Balance	0

Legal Expense

Town Office	$11,007
Planning Board	525
Kondrat	9,195
Personnel	1,200
Tax Deeded Property	136
Cell Tower	853
Expended	$22,916
Appropriated	24,000
Under run	$1,084

Payroll Taxes

Expended	$45,925
Appropriated	51,054
Under run	$5,129

Planning and Zoning

Part-time Salary	$1,818
Expenses	3,786
Expended	$5,604
Encumbered	4,560
Total	10,164
Appropriated	10,800
Under run	$636

Zoning Officer

Part Time Salary	$4,542
Expenses	259
Expended	$4,801
Appropriated	6,300
Under run	$1,499

Town Buildings

Part-time Salary	$9,031
Operating Expenses	32,890
Office Maintenance/Repair	4,340
Town Hall Maintenance/Repair	3,411
Public Safety Building Maintenance and Repair	3,103
Village Fire Station Maintenance and Repair	236
Expended	$53,011
Encumbered	4,589
Total	57,600
Appropriated	67,380
Under run	$9,780

Cemetery

Expended	$2,225
Appropriated	3,725
Under run	$1500

Insurance.....Expended.....$43,948
Appropriated.....43,948
Balance.....0

Advertising & Regional Associates
Lakes Region Planning.....Expended.....$2,224
Appropriated.....2,224
Balance.....0

Emergency Management Program...Expended.....$4,518
Appropriated.....3900
Over Run.....$618

Police Department
Chief Salary.....$72,000
Full Time Salaries.....57,613
Part Time Salaries.....40,981
Overtime/Holiday/Severance.....22,737
Animal Control.....2,768
Retirement.....37,917
Health & Dental Insurance.....46,492
Life & Disability Insurance.....890
Vehicle/Equipment Repairs.....4,571
Operating Expenses.....20,357
Equipment.....2,813
K-9 Expenses.....186
D.A.R.E.....584
Training.....728
Expended.....$310,637
Appropriated.....315,480
Under Run.....$4,843

Fire Department
Part-Time Chief Salary.....$13,390
Member's Stipend.....30,000
Part-time Station Duty.....36,778
Mutual Aid Dues.....4,500
Equipment Purchases.....6,106
Vehicle Repairs & Inspections.....18,727
Dry Hydrants.....487
Turnout Gear.....7,163
Radio/Equipment Repairs.....2,000
First Responders.....2,809
Operating Expense.....11,396
Expended.....$133,356
Appropriated.....133,050
Over Run.....$306

Forest Fire Protection

Equipment Purchase $3,000

Expended $3,000

Appropriated 3,000

Balance 0

Water Precinct ..... Expended $400

Appropriated 400

Balance 0

Ossipee Lake Dam Authority ..... Expended $5,976

Appropriated 5,976

Balance 0

Building Inspector

Part Time $10,867

Expenses 1,309

Expended $12,176

Appropriated 13,160

Under run $984

Highway Maintenance

Summer

Labor $103,507

Rental Equipment 19,046

Materials 38,089

Signs and Signals 3,736

Contract Services 48,032

Expended $212,410

Encumbered 5,222

Total Summer Maintenance $217,632

Winter

Labor $139,978

Rental Equipment 79,323

Materials 106,482

Total Winter Maintenance $325,783

General Highway Expense $131,231

Encumbered 1,742

Health & Dental Insurance 87,175

Life/Disability Insurance 3,522

Retirement 4,864

Expended $771,949

Appropriated 819,100

Under Run $47,151

Street Lights	Expended	$11,677
	Appropriated	12,000
	Under run	$323

Transfer Station

Full-time Salary	$41,671
Part-time Salaries	11,863
Health & Dental Insurance	26,492
Life/Disability Insurance	775
Retirement	1,215
Engineering	5,926
Transfer Fees	80,388
Household Hazardous Waste Fee	2,087
Site Improvements	1,683
Operating Expense	12,408
Expended	$184,508
Appropriated	181,574
Over run	$2,934

Health Officer

Part Time Salary	$385
Expenses	82
Expended	$467
Appropriated	800
Under run	$333

Health & Social Services

Ambulance	$37,000
C.C. Mental Health	1,433
Children Unlimited	2,000
Community Action Program	4,000
White Mountain Health Center	1,707
Central NH VNA & Hospice	2,247
Starting Point	1,036
Red Cross	1,292
Ossipee Child Fund	650
Lifeflight Foundation	100
Expended	$51,465
Appropriated	51,465
Balance	0

Welfare

Part Time Salary	$1,401
General Assistance	1,880
Expended	$3,281
Appropriated	7,000
Under run	$3,719

Parks & Recreation

Part-time salary		$237
Operating Expense		5,756
	Expended	$5,933
	Appropriated	7,850
	Under run	$1,857

Library	Expended	$70,165
	Appropriated	70,165
	Balance	0

Heritage Commission	Expended	$62
	Appropriated	500
	Under run	$438

Patriotic Purposes

Old Home Week		$2,000
Other		621
	Expended	$2,621
	Appropriated	2,800
	Under run	$179

Conservation Commission

Administration	Expended	$1,364
	Appropriated	2,800
	Under run	$1,436
Water Quality Testing	Expended	$3,000
	Appropriated	3,000
	Balance	0
Forest Maintenance	Expended	$195
	Encumbered	10,105
	Total	10,300
	Appropriated	10,300
	Balance	0
Forester	Expended	$3,133
	Encumbered	867
	Total	4,000
	Appropriated	4,000
	Balance	0

Aquatic Invasive Species

Administration	$811
Milfoil Removal	6,500

Expended $7,311
Appropriated.....7,250
Over Run $61

Debt Services

Bond Principal PSB.....$75,000
Lease Principal Tank Truck.....26,048
Expended.....$101,048
Appropriated.....101,048
Balance 0

Interest Expense

Tax Anticipated Notes Interest $0
Bond Interest 19,200
Tank Truck Interest.....3,028
Other Interest.....0
Expended.....$22,228
Appropriated.....27,378
Under run $5,150

Capital Reserve

Police Department Equipment $10,000
Highway Equipment.....20,000
Fire Equipment 11,000
Municipal Land and Building 12,000
Expended.....$53,000
Appropriated.....53,000
Balance 0

Trust Funds

Library.....Expended $2,100
Appropriated.....2,100
Balance 0

Capital Outlay/Individual Articles

Highway - Crack and Seal.....Expended $12,000
Appropriated.....14,000
Under run $2,000

Highway - Sealing.....Expended.....$33,652
Appropriated.....42,000
Under run $8,348

Highway - Hot Top.....Expended $66,802
Appropriated.....68,000
Under run $1,198

Highway Loader	Expended	$149,000
	Appropriated	149,000
	Balance	0
Planning Board - Community Survey	Expended	$440
	Encumbered	4,560
	Total	5,000
	Appropriated	5,000
	Balance	0
Fire - RAD57	Expended	$5,360
	Appropriated	5,500
	Under run	$140
Town Hall - Alarm System	Expended	$4,753
	Appropriated	5,000
	Under run	$247
Food Pantry	Expended	$5,000
	Appropriated	5,000
	Balance	0
Watershed Development Analysis	Expended	$5,000
	Appropriated	5,000
	Balance	0

TOTAL BUDGET UNDER RUN $100,432

Emergency Expenditure - Approved by Department of Revenue 08/27/2014

Highway - Backhoe	Expenditure	$79,900
	Appropriated from Fund Balance	$79,900

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Appropriations 2,648,479
Less: Revenues.....650,142
Add: Overlay.....19,402
War Service Credits 31,550

Net Town Appropriations.....2,049,289 **TAX RATE**

Approved Tax/City Tax Effort.....2,049,289 **4.13**

SCHOOL PORTION
Gross Appropriations.....3,593,190
Less Revenue.....107,600
Net Local School Budget.....3,485,590
School Education Tax.....(1,109,060) **LOCAL SCHOOL RATE**

Approved School(s) Tax Effort 2,376,530 **4.79**

STATE EDUCATION TAXES
Equalized Valuation (no utilities)x.....2.480 **STATE SCHOOL RATE**
447,201,693.....1,109,060
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)
491,696,823 **2.25**

COUNTY PORTION
Due to County.....513,187 **COUNTY RATE**

Approved County Tax Effort.....513,187 **1.03**

TOTAL RATE **12.20**

Total Property Taxes Assessed 6,048,066
Less: War Service Credit .....(31,550)
Total Property Tax Commitment **6,016,516**

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)...491,969,823	2.25	1,109,060
All Other Taxes.....496,596,423	9.95	4,939,006
		6,048,066

TOWN OWNED EQUIPMENT
In Excess of $1,000

Highway

1963 York Rake
2014 Cat 924K Loader
2014 Cat 420 Backhoe (Used at Transfer Station)
2011 Cat 140M2 Motor Grader
1992 Morbark Chipper
2013 International All Wheel Drive
2011 Ford F550 XL One Ton (In Service Aug 2010)
2006 Ford F550 One Ton (Hwy/Fire)
2004 Chevy Tahoe
1991 MB Sweeper
1994 Billy Goat
2006 Hiway 12' stainless steel sander
2001 Hiway 3 yd stainless steel sander
2000 Hiway 5 yd stainless steel sander
1999 Hiway 5 yd stainless steel sander
1999 Shoulder Gravel Machine
2011 Pressure Washer
Miller Generator/Welder

Police Department

2013 Chevy Tahoe
2012 Chevy Tahoe
2 Kustom Golden Eagle II Radar units
3 Mobile Motorola Astro Digital Radio
2007 Polaris Ranger 6x6

Fire Department

2012 International Tank Truck
2009 Chevy Tahoe
2006 F550 Ford Forestry Truck
2000 F550 Ford Rescue Truck
1996 Spartan Fire Truck
1989 Mack Fire Truck
1985 Chevy Tank Truck
1926 Seagrave Fire Truck
2004 Portable Deck Gun
1996 Stinger Deck Gun
2006 (23) XTS 2500i Portable Radios
2004 (4) Motorola Astro Digital Radios
1996 100 Watt Kenwood Radio
1998 Jaws of Life Power Unit
1998 Hurst 60" Hydraulic Ram

1998 Hurst 30" Hydraulic Ram
1998 Hurst Combi Tool Spreader Cutter
1998 Hurst Cutter
2010 Hurst Tool Cutter
2004 Stabilization Kit
MSA 5500 Thermal Imaging Camera
10 MSA Airpacks
Honda Generator
2007 13,000 watt Honda Generator
10,000 Watt Diesel Generator
Multi Gas Meter
2 Darley Portable Pumps
2000 275 Gallon Forestry Skid Unit
2002 450 Gallon Forestry Skid Unit
2007 75 gallon Skid Unit with Pump/Reel
2006 Akron Hose Tester
2007 (2) Can Am 4x4 ATV
2007 Polaris Ranger 6x6
2007 315PSI Forestry Pump
2006 120GPM Forestry Pump
Phillips 12 Lead Cardiac Monitor
1998 Positive Pressure Fan
2008 Rescue Sled
3000 Watt Light Tower
Extractor

Transfer Station

3 Hydraulic Compactors, 7 Containers
12' Snowpusher

SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY

Liability at Beginning of Year 1,652,508
Assessment for Current Year 3,485,590

Total Liability with in Current Year 5,138,098

Payments made to School District.....3,352,508
Liability at End of Year.....1,785,590

Total 5,138,098

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

Due to semi-annual taxing in 2014 this eliminated the need to borrow monies in anticipation of taxes.

DEBT - AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

Purpose **Public Safety Building**

2014 Installment $75,000
Interest Rate 3.0
Date of Final Payment 08/15/21
Bonds o/s at beginning of year 590,000
Bonds issued this year 0
Bonds Retired this year 0
Bonds o/s at end of year 515,000

Annual requirements to amortize all general obligation
(debt as of 12/31/14)

Year	Principal	Rate	Interest	Total
2015	75,000	2%	16,200	91,200
2016	75,000	4%	14,700	89,700
2017	75,000	3%	11,700	86,700
2018	75,000	4%	9,450	84,450
2019	75,000	3%	6,450	81,450
2020	70,000	3%	4,200	74,200
2021	70,000	3%	2,100	72,100
Total	**515,000**		**64,800**	**579,800**

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

TOWN OF FREEDOM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

(January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014)

Report of Revenue Received

2621	Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	$300,015.93
153	Dog Licenses	795.00
43	Vital Copies	695.00
9	Marriage Licenses	405.00
	Facilities Permits	150.00
	Wetlands Applications	60.00
	Postage	55.00
	Pole Line Easements	40.00
	State - UCC filings	285.00
	Motor Vehicle Titles	3.00
	Dog Fines	10.00
	State Filing Fees	4.00
	TOTAL:	**$ 302,517.93**

Respectfully submitted,

A.Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2014

	2014	2013	2012
DEBITS			
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes		673,228.58	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes		0.00	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes		1,450.10	0.00
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd		0.00	0.00
Prior Years' Credit Balance	(0.00)		
This Year's New Credits	(0.00)		
Tax Committed This Year:			
Property Taxes	6,020,708.00	0.00	
Land Use Changes	22,323.00	0.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	5,138.91	0.00	
Excavation Tax	0.00	0.00	
Overpayment:			
Credits Refunded	23,786.62	0.00	
Interest - Late Tax	5,593.97	15,452.28	0.00
TOTAL DEBTS	**$6,077,550.50**	**$690,130.96**	**$0.00**
CREDITS			
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	5,682,314.14	439,126.46	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	4,100.00	0.00	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	4,516.01	1,450.10	0.00
Interest & Penalties	5,593.97	15,452.28	0.00
Excavation Tax @ $.02/yd		0.00	0.00
Converted to Liens (principal only)	0.00	234,015.12	0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	0.00		
Abatements Made:			
Property Taxes	1,359.00	87.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	18,223.00		
Timber Yield Taxes	19.15	0.00	
Current Levy Deeded	2,202.00		
Uncollected Revenue End of Year:			
Property Taxes	361,271.24	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
Timber Tax Yield	603.75	0.00	0.00
Excavation Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance	(2,651.76)	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	**$6,077,550.50**	**$690,130.96**	**$0.00**

Respectfully Submitted,
Annette Babb
Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/ TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2014

		Levies of:	
DEBITS	**2013**	**2012**	**2011+**
Unredeemed Liens			
Beginning of Fiscal Year	**0**	**$106,720.18**	**$60,172.21**
Liens Executed During FY	**$243,687.25**		
Interest and Costs Collected	**8,775.71**	**16,268.65**	**19,577.77**
TOTAL LIEN DEBTS	**$252,462.96**	**$122,988.83**	**$79,704.98**

CREDITS			
Remitted to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	$140,826.18	$52,394.43	$48,636.35
Interest & Costs Collected	8,775.71	16,268.65	19,577.77
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	1,222.87	0.00	28.39
Liens Deeded to Municipality	6,253.36	6,365.48	10,479.79
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	95,384.84	47,960.27	982.68
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS	**$252,462.96**	**$122,988.83**	**$79,704.98**

PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS

Fiscal Year Ending 2011

Clapp.....184.00

Fiscal Year Ending 2013

Bossi.....239.00
Brooks.....82.00
Devlin.....174.00
Femino.....1,520.00
Foss.....184.00
Foti.....130.00
Hackett.....397.26
Holmes.....481.00
Kennedy.....160.00
Knowlton.....117.00
Libby.....18.12
Miele.....1,528.00
Misenor.....340.00
Morrow.....263.00
Peters.....87.00
Schenker.....549.00
Sherwood Forest LLC.....121.00
Taupa Lithuanian Federal Credit Union.....3,048.00
Toto.....376.00
Towle.....525.00
Trook.....602.00
Ventura.....258.00

Fiscal Year Ending 2014

Durant.....17.00
Hacket.....184.00
Leduc.....320.00
Ventura.....42.61

2013 Yield Tax

Hampton.....627.15

2014 Land Use Change Tax

Sherwood Forest LLC.....18,223.00

TREASURER'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2014

REVENUE BY DEPARTMENT:

Tax Collector	$6,429,360
Town Clerk	302,428
Selectmen	2,246,944
Building Inspector	13,616
Boat Tax	6,234
Interest Income	1,546

TOTAL CASH ON HAND 12-31-14 $2,585,387

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Clemons-Keith
Town Treasurer

AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Financial Report for the year ending December 31, 2014, was not available at the time of printing, and therefore is not included in this Annual Report.

The auditors, Vachon Culkay and Company PC of Manchester, NH will file the Financial Report and an Audit report when their work is complete. A copy of this Audit report will be available at the Town Office upon completion.

TOWN EMPLOYEES

Police	Ted Colby	$3,755
	Joseph Duchesne	5,499
	Jonathan Evans	20,724
	JoAnne Gayer	1,664
	James Hayford	1,380
	Robert King	2,585
	James Mullen	7,682
	Jeff Roub	766
	Anthony Sacco	326
	Josh Shackford	68,626
	Teresa Shackford	3,098
	Matt Tyler	62,537
	Wayne Valley	1,073
Highway	Devin Bolduc	5,651
	Lance Bolduc	45,648
	Scott Brooks, Sr	51,571
	Michael D'Andrea	4,748
	Charles Gibbs	15,348
	Norman Holden	326
	Harland MacDonald	897
	James MacDonald	41,461
	Glenn Mason	3,276
	Charles Morrill	15,134
	Robert Smith	59,419
Transfer Station	Justin Brooks	39,277
	George Stone	11,663
Building Inspector	Robert Babine	10,866
Zoning Officer	Edward Hatfield	4,542
Office	Holly Brooks	4,913
	Linda Farinella	30,775
	Karen Hatch	51,852
Facilities Custodian	Mark McKinley	9,069
Planning/ZBA/Conservation	Linda Farinella	1,433
	Dianne Park	1,220

Fire Department	Joseph Brabant	16,277
	Justin Brooks	13,390
	Robert Cunio	20,930
	Graham Prather	312
	Scott Schwartz	360
Health Officer	Frank Evitts	385
Welfare Officer	Tracy Hayes	1,401
Cemetery	George Beowe, Jr	2,225

STIPENDS

Fire/Rescue	Tyler Belanger	$3,836
	George Boewe	189
	Joe Brabant	950
	Sam Conger	2,118
	Rob Cunio	6,675
	Mike Eldridge, Jr	1,337
	Caitlin Gillenwater	3,178
	Charlie Hatfield	208
	Graham Prather	2,280
	Timothy Roberts	154
	Hannah Sargent	1,557
	Scott Schwartz	91
	Eric Seamans	3,108
	Jeffrey Tavares	42
	Laurel Tessier	763
	Tom Tozier	1,739
	Kevin Wells	1,773

TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN OFFICERS	SALARY	FEES	EXPENSES	TOTAL
Selectmen				
Neal Boyle	5,000			5,000
Leslie Babb	5,000			5,000
Ernest Day Jr	5,000	50		5,050
Town Clerk				
A. Elizabeth Priebe	5,000	13,274	450	18,724
Deputy Town Clerk				
Sue Brown	3,399		74	3,473
Treasurer				
Pamela Clemons-Keith	3,000		2,131	5,131
Tax Collector				
Ann Babb	6,000	10,763	9,351	26,114
Deputy Tax Collector				
Connor Babb	81			81
Nancy Griffin	897			897
Supervisors of Checklist				
Daniel Brooks	866			866
Patricia McCoy	958		12	970
Carol Stansell	733		15	748
Moderator				
Donald Johnson	517		115	632
Trustee of Trust Funds				
Patricia McCoy	50			50
Kimberly Reis	50			50
Paul Olzerowicz	50		234	284

VENDORS
MAJOR SERVICE SUPPLIERS

AAA Police Supply (PD)	$753
Airgas (GG)	532
All State Asphalt, Inc (HD)	49,494
Amerigas (GG)	5,637
Andrews Auto Body Inc (FD)	827
Aquatic Control Technology Inc. (GG)	11,417
Arc Tech LLC (FD)	1027
Atlantic Recycling Equipment LLC (TS)	4,283
Avitar Associates of NE Inc. (GG)	6,375
AW Direct (HD)	1,379
Barton's Motorsport, LLC (FD)	643
BB Chain (HD)	3,555
Ben's Uniforms (FD&PD)	4,774
Bergeron Protective Clothing (FD)	4,690
Bluetarp Financial Inc (HD)	410
Brocktalk Education (FD)	1,200
John Brown & Sons, Inc (CC)	7,600
GW Brooks & Sons Inc. (HD)	55,009
Brooks Jr. Scott (GG)	1,250
Brooks Sr. Scott (HD)	45,713
Business Management Systems Inc. (GG)	2,940
Carroll County Registry of Deeds (GG)	1,263
Care Plus Ambulance (GG)	37,000
Coppola & Company (GG)	4,320
CB Kentworth Inc. (HD)	521
Central Paper Products (GG)	711
Cintas Fire Protection (FD)	1,651
CN Brown (GG)	81,921
Coleman Rental & Supply Inc. (HD)	3,013
AJ Coleman & Son Inc. (HD)	712
Conway Daily Sun (GG)	2,022
J.O. Cook & Sons LLC (HD)	3,605
Creative Product Sourcing Inc (PD)	536
Crossway Repair (HD FD)	5,750
Diamond Ledge Electronics (HD FD)	3,129
Diesel Works LLC (HD)	1,104
Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC (GG)	15,296
Eastman's Welding (HD)	728
East Coast Signal (HD)	660
Elliot Enterprises Inc. (FD)	1,057
Emergency Medical Products Inc. (FD)	3,301

Fairpoint Communications (GG) 5,391
Firematic Supply Co. Inc. (FD) 1,944
Flag Shop of VT (GG) 621
Florida Tower Partners LLC (GG) 553
FNAB (PD) 744
Foremost Promotions (FD) 759
Frechette Tire Company (GG) 857
Freedom Landscaping (GG) 4,448
Frisbie Memorial Hospital (FD) 1,350
Gaftek LLC(HD) 2,428
Galls (PD) 836
Gemini Sign & Design LTD (FD HD) 820
Granite State Glass (GG) 3,900
Granite State Minerals Inc. (HD) 40,381
Green Mountain Conservation Group (GG) 8,000
Harleysville Life Insurance Co. (GG) 7,366
Healthtrust (GG) 185,137
HEB Engineers Inc (GG) 3,371
Henderson, Walter (GG) 1,143
Hubbard Consulting LLC (GG) 4,500
Hydrolic Hose and Assemblies (HD) 730
Indian Mound Hardware (HD FD) 1,206
Industrial Traffic Line Inc (HD) 5,378
International Salt (HD) 31,159
JP Pest Services (GG) 679
Jonnelles Expressions (FD) 1,005
Katahdin Analytical Services (TS) 1,576
BH Keith Associates (CC) 11,921
Lakeside Security (GG) 5,523
Lakes Region Fire Apparatus Inc. (FD) 14,181
Law Office of Paul M. Monzione PC (GG) 4,168
Lawson Products (HD) 1,799
Jesse E. Lyman Inc (GG) 39,552
MacDonald Motors (HD) 1,780
Maple Ridge Septic Service (GG) 2,852
Masimo Americas, Inc (FD) 5,360
K. Mason Electrical LLC (GG) 1,014
SA McLean & Sons (HD) 7,347
Michie Corp (HD) 11,280
Milton Cat (HD) 210,132
Minuteman Press (GG) 2,692
Morton Salt (HD) 9,442
Mt. Valley Fab (GG) 750
NAE Automation & Electric (GG) 1,075

New England Emergency Equipment (FD) 1,360
New England Milfoil (FAISC) 9,385
New England Truck Tire Center, Inc (HD) 4,255
Nicom Coatings Corp (HD) 12,000
Stephan Nix Attorney at Law (GG) 5,027
North Coast Services LLC (TS) 2,792
Northern Tire and Alignment, Inc (PD) 1,930
Old Dominion Brush Company (HD) 541
Ossipee Aggregates (HD) 11,363
Ossipee Auto Parts (HD) 6,305
Ossipee Concerned Citizens (GG) 1,399
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority (GG) 5,976
Ossipee Mountain Electronics (FD HD) 6,563
Pike Industries, Inc (HD) 745
Pine Tree Engineering Inc. (TS) 4,350
Pine Tree Waste Inc (TS) 77,956
Pope Security Systems Inc (GG) 2,698
Porter Office Machines Corp (GG) 1,060
RJ Powers Alarms Inc (GG) 1,639
Primex (GG) 2,254
PSNH (GG) 24,116
R & D Paving (HD) 66,802
Remick, Lisa (PD) 500
Riley's Sport Shop Inc (PD) 1,364
John E. Roberts Excavation (HD) 25,605
Salmon Press (GG) 504
Sanels Autoparts Co (HD) 544
Scrub Oak Scramblers Inc. (CC) 2,500
E.W. Sleeper (HD) 9,961
Staples (GG) 5,656
Sullivan Tire Co. (FD) 600
Stratham Tire Inc (FD) 1,061
Sarah Owen Tabor (GG) 720
Taser International (PD) 560
Team EJP (HD) 2,711
Texas Refinery Corp (HD) 773
Time Warner Cable (GG) 3,590
Tritech Software Systems (PD) 1,705
UniFirst Corporation (HD) 6,760
United States Postal Service (GG) 10,889
Vachon Clukay & Company, PC (GG) 6,262
Valladares Transportation & Repair, Inc (HD) 750
Verizon Wireless (FD/PD) 2,430
Water Industries Inc. (HD/TS) 1,463

White Mountain Survey & Engineering, Inc (GG) 1,184
WS Darley and Company (FD) 895
RB Wood & Associates LLC (GG).....28,572
WSB Technologies (GG) 2,279

CC - Conservation Commission

HD - Highway Department

GG - General Government

FAISC - Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee

FD - Fire Department

HS - Historical Society

PD - Police Department

TS - Transfer Station

FREEDOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Freedom Public Library has had another great year of serving the year-round and seasonal residents of the town. In 2014 we had increases in patron visits and in circulation across the board with 13,466 patron visits and 19,092 items borrowed, with juvenile fiction and nonfiction showing the greatest growth in books circulation and a whopping 57% and 35% increase in DVD and audiobook borrowing respectively. The downloadable book service has grown by over 35% in the last year.

We had some exciting renovations completed inside the library this year. Bookshelves were built around the fireplace in the children's room adding much needed shelving to our growing children's collection along with eliminating a safety hazard. A generous donation by the extended Kidder family allowed us to complete several renovations. We built shelving for new books along with computer stations in the lobby. Purchase of an attractive leather bench completed the comfy area. The Young Adult collection expanded from its cramped quarters in the children's room to an area adjacent to the adult collection. New periodical shelving was also built in the children's room. These renovations were celebrated at an Open House during Freedom Rings in the Holidays.

The Friends of the Library (FOL) hosted a gardening program and collaborated with the Freedom Historical Society to present two NH Humanities Council programs, all of which were very well attended. Participants in a 4-class workshop in Mah Jongg enjoyed it so much that they now meet three times a week to play at the library. The annual Winter Film Series which featured six foreign and domestic films for adults followed by a soup and bread supper was very popular. We host book clubs for adults and children and provide support for a private book club that meets off premises.

Year-round children's programs include a monthly pizza and movie night during the school year preceded by an afterschool program for those students arriving directly from school on the bus. This program features an activity and a snack, now provided by Hannaford, as well as an opportunity for the children to use the library's Wii gaming system. Preschool storytime brings joy to young and 'older' every Wednesday morning.

The FOL purchased passes providing free or reduced admission to eight area museums and attractions. New this year were passes for the Children's Museum in Dover, the Seacoast Science Center and Jackson Ski Touring. Our Books on Wheels program, providing library service to shut-ins, has been a real help to the small number of people who take advantage of it.

The Summer Reading Program for kids, teens and adults was another big success this year. We offered five weekly programs for kids and teens: preschool storytime, a writing workshop series, teen night, Fun Friday (activities for elementary-age) and pizza & movie nights. The highlight was a pet show at the library.

We said goodbye to Library Assistant Judy Johnson who left the library in December after 11 years of cheerful service. A new position of Assistant Librarian was created, one with more professional responsibilities. Caroline Nickerson was chosen and begins work in early 2015. The Library Director, Elizabeth Rhymer, continues to pursue continuing education and professional development opportunities, and is now president of the Carroll County Library Co-op.

We encourage all Freedom residents - year-round and seasonal - to get a library card and take advantage of all the resources available at our beautiful and welcoming library!

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Pierce, Chair
Paul Tung, Secretary
Laura Robinson, Treasurer
Tom Luke, Alternate

Assets 1/1/2014

Checking	$20,299.28
Money Market	$6,508.40
Centennial Fund	$25.00
Trustees Account	$19,272.95
Cayford Fund	$6,698.00
Williams Fund	$19,294.61
Total Assets 12/31/2014	**$72,098.24**

Receipts 2014

Book Sales	$665.78
CD Interest	$180.36
Conscience Fund	$263.89
Fax & Copier	$650.65
Friends Donations	$8,763.58
Interest Income	$80.03
Unanticipated Gifts	$15,706.00
Other Income	$695.51
Town Appropriation	$70,165.00
Total Receipts 2014	**$97,170.80**
Total Assets + Receipts 2014	**$169,269.04**

Expenditures 2014

Books	$8,020.03
Computer/Copier	$5,204.21
Dues & Conferences	$1,465.72
Electricity	$2,837.57
Grounds	$2,531.70
Heat	$2,936.36
Maintenance	$3,268.25
Other Expenses	$1,533.74
Periodicals	$392.57
Petty Cash	$66.88
Postage	$273.52
Programs	$3,664.38
Building Renovations	$7,073.13
Supplies	$1,115.68
Taxes	$3,322.93
Telephone	$670.19
Wages	$43,436.55
Water	$525.00
Total Expenditures 2014	**$88,338.41**

Assets 12/31/2014

Checking	$20,945.92
Money Market	$14,694.15
Centennial Fund	$25.00
Trustees Account	$19,272.95
Kidder Fund	
Cayford Fund	$6,698.00
Williams Fund	$19,294.61
Total Assets 12/31/2014	**$80,930.63**
Total Expenditures & Assets	**$169,269.04**

Memorial Funds Held

Fritz Bequest	$2,415.01

FIRE DEPARTMENT

2014 was another busy year for the Freedom Fire-Rescue Department.
We responded to 292 calls for service.

Lightning: What you Need to Know

- ***NO PLACE*** outside is safe when thunderstorms are in the area!!
- If you hear thunder, lightning is close enough to strike you.
- When you hear thunder, immediately move to safe shelter: a substantial building with electricity or plumbing or an enclosed, metal-topped vehicle with windows up.
- Stay in safe shelter at least 30 minutes after you hear the last sound of thunder.

Indoor Lightning Safety

- Stay off corded phones, computers and other electrical equipment that put you in direct contact with electricity.
- Avoid plumbing, including sinks, baths and faucets.
- Stay away from windows and doors, and stay off porches.
- Do not lie on concrete floors, and do no lean against concrete walls.

Last Resort Outdoor Risk Reduction Tips

If you are caught outside ***with no safe shelter anywhere nearby*** the following actions *may* reduce your risk:

- Immediately get off elevated areas such as hills, mountain ridges or peaks
- Never lie flat on the ground
- Never shelter under an isolated tree
- Never us a cliff or rocky overhang for shelter
- Immediately get out and away from ponds, lakes and other bodies of water
- Stay away from objects that conduct electricity (barbed wire fences, power lines, windmills, etc.)

Source: http://www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov/tips.htm

I would like to thank all department heads and employees for their cooperation and support and look forward to working with you in the future. I would also like to thank the town's people for their continued support and look forward to their support for many years to come.

And finally, I would like to thank the men and women of this department with whom I work with on a daily basis. The town's people should be proud of these individuals who protect life and property on a daily basis and sacrifice time away from their families.

Respectfully Submitted,
Justin S. Brooks
Chief Freedom Fire-Rescue

"Lightning and thunder require time, the light of the stars requires time, deeds require time even after they are done, before they can be seen or heard."
Freidrich Neitzshe

FIRE - RESCUE CALLS

Structure Fire	3
Mutual Aid Fires	12
Alarm Activations	34
Chimney Fire	1
Illegal Burns	3
Vehicle Fires	2
Vegetation Fires	2
Medical Aids	178
Members Transporting with Ambulance	16
Motor Vehicle Accidents	15
Motor Vehicle Accidents with Entrapment	1
Snowmobile Accident	3
Search and Rescue	2
Trees/Wires Down	4
Police Standby	2
Person Struck by Lightning	4
No Responder Available	13
Town of Eaton Calls	15
Daytime Calls 7am-7pm	189
Nighttime Calls 7pm-7am	103
Total	292
Duty Crew Responses	104

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

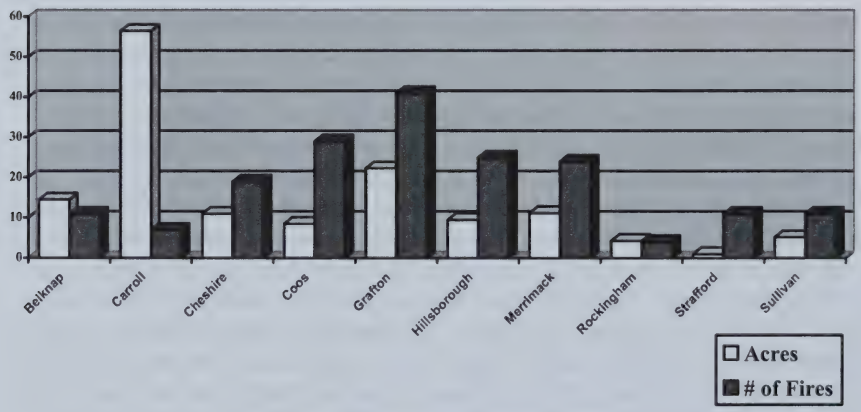
Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfl.org.

This past fire season started in early April with the first reported fire on April 7th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, began very dry with unseasonably dry conditions continuing through the entire month. This dry pattern continued through the first half of May. 80% of our reported fires this season occurred during this six week period. The largest fire was 24 acres, occurring in the town of Tamworth. From mid May through early September, above average rainfall kept our total acreage burned statewide at 72 acres. This is the smallest amount of acreage burned statewide in several years. Late August through late September though brought a dry trend to northern areas, resulting in several deep-burning remote fires. Our fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2014 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2014 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2014)
(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	**Acres**	**# of Fires**
Belknap	3.1	5
Carroll	24	4
Cheshire	6.8	7
Coos	5.3	18
Grafton	8.2	32
Hillsborough	6.1	20
Merrimack	15.5	11
Rockingham	1.1	8
Strafford	0.4	5
Sullivan	1.5	2



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		Total	Fires	Total Acres
Arson	2	**2014**	**112**	**72**
Debris	52	**2013**	**182**	**144**
Campfire	10	**2012**	**318**	**206**
Children	2	**2011**	**125**	**42**
Smoking	5	**2010**	**360**	**145**
Railroad	0			
Equipment	5			
Lightning	1			
Misc.*	35 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)			

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

POLICE REPORT

The Freedom Police Department consists of two full time officers. Officer Matthew Tyler was promoted to Sergeant this year. Sergeant Tyler has been with the Freedom Police Department for several years and has been our K-9 handler as well. This past year Sergeant Tyler handled some very serious sexual assault cases and has demonstrated a real devotion to his job and the Town of Freedom. I was very happy to give Sergeant Tyler this promotion and it was well earned. After cutting a full time position last year in a budget saving effort I had to hire several part-time officers to fill the void. James Mullen, who is the Chief of the Madison Police Department and has worked both full and part-time for the Town of Freedom stayed on part-time and as always, has been a huge asset. In April I hired Jon Evans. Jon moved to the area from western New Hampshire and was a police officer there. Jon has done an outstanding job since he has been here and brought a great deal of experience with him. Jon has also taken on the task of Animal Control Officer since Joanne Gayer moved away this past summer. Joe Duchesne is the full time Lieutenant for the Ossipee Police Department and has worked part time for the Town of Freedom for several years as well and has helped me enormously over the past year. Bob King also works for the Ossipee Police Department as a Sergeant and has worked full-time for Freedom in the past and still works here part-time. Bob does all of our prosecution and really has been a priceless commodity for the Freedom Police Department. The other Officers on the roster are James Hayford who is a full time Corporal at the Madison Police Department, Ted Colby who is a full-time lieutenant at the Madison Police Department and Wayne Valley who is a full-time Patrolman for the Ossipee Police Department.

Our calls for service this year went up considerably. I asked all of my Officers this year to take a more proactive policing approach. I asked this in the hope that it would give Sergeant Tyler and I more time to focus on the more complex time consuming investigations. This approach worked very well in theory, however I received several complaints from residents about it. I want everyone to understand that nobody was being targeted and stopping cars for minor motor vehicle violations is a tool law enforcement uses to discover larger more serious crimes against society. If an officer stops a thousand cars in a year and writes 200 tickets for uninspected vehicles that's fine but is not really helping anything or anybody. If that same officer making those thousand car stops makes a couple of D.W.I. arrests or discovers some drugs or stolen property taken in a burglary or a domestic violence situation in progress that is outstanding, he may have saved a life or prevented or more serious crime from occurring. Police work in general is an information gathering endeavor. I know being stopped is annoying and can be a stressful experience for some people but there is a reason for it. We are all trained as law enforcement officers to "Look beyond the traffic stop". The Freedom Police Department and the Town of Freedom and its' citizens are currently in a very good position with the highly trained and experienced staff that we have.

Freedom is still a small town and I am easily available. If you need to speak with me or any of my Officers do not hesitate to call. The Carroll County Communications Center dispatches for us and the number to call is 539-2284.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Josh L. Shackford

TRANSFER STATION

2014 was an average year at the Transfer Station.

One thing that does come to mind, please, if you are going to conduct business with the operators or talk with fellow users, do no block the dumpsters.

Starting May 31st the Town Facility Permits will expire. I hope to have the new permits available the first week in April.

I would like to thank all Town Officials, the Police Department, the Fire Department and those that work with me day in and day out.

"Lead, follow, or get out of the way."
Thomas Paine

Respectfully submitted,
Justin S. Brooks

Summer Hours Begin 05/28/15
Tues, Thurs, Saturday and Sunday 8-5

Winter Hours Begin 09/12/15
Tuesday and Saturday 8-4; Sunday 9-4

CLOSINGS	SPECIAL HOURS
Easter 04/05/2015	Memorial Day 05/28/15 8am-5pm
Tuesday 05/29/15	Labor Day 09/07/15 8am - 5pm
Tuesday 09/08/15	

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

2014 was a quiet year for applications-the board acted on two two-lot subdivisions, a site plan review for Camp Cody, and a few mergers of lots. We had a joint meeting with the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) and continue to work with the Code Enforcement Officer and the ZBA to identify and clarify areas of the zoning ordinance they find difficult to interpret. You will see the results of this work in the ballot questions for this year. (Please read on. They are described below.)

Otherwise, we have spent our time planning. The board is working on an update to the master plan, which is mandated by the state. Its purpose is to "set down as clearly and practically as possible the best and most appropriate future development of [Freedom], to aid the board in designing ordinances that result in preserving and enhancing the unique quality of life and culture of New Hampshire, and to guide the board in the performance of its other duties…" (NH RSA 674:2)

In July, with the help of Dennis Delay of the NH Center for Public Policy Studies, we held a well-attended presentation/discussion of "The Changing Demographics of Freedom and Carroll County" to set a base line for the look into the future that the master plan requires. This report is on the town website at: http://www.townoffreedom.net/boardsnew/planning.htm.

The next step in updating the master plan is to conduct a community survey to ask Freedom property owners and residents their views of Freedom's future. You will receive this survey in May and the board asks that you fill it out and return it, please. The results of this survey will guide the development of the master plan-and Freedom's future. We need your views!

Zoning Amendments

This year, the planning board is proposing 5 amendments to the zoning ordinance, which you will see on the ballot as Article 2 through Article 6 (after Article 1 to elect town officers). They start with an explanation, and then show the actual language that will be on the ballot.

As in the last few years, a number of them address development in the protected shorefront (300 feet from the high water mark). The board has focused on the shore front because water quality is important to maintaining the town's tax base.

Amendment #1: Incorporate the state requirement for a shore land permit to the Ordinance

Explanation: Any person doing construction, excavation, or filling in the protected shorefront needs a state permit. The purpose of the permitting process is to ensure that people undertaking these projects prevent erosion into a waterbody during and after construction that can degrade water quality. If the project is small, state law provides for a "permit by notification." The state must respond within 10 days or the application is considered approved.

This amendment adds the requirement for a permit by notification to the Freedom Zoning Ordinance. Adding this section will place no additional requirements on the

applicant above what is currently required by state law.

This amendment asks that an applicant who has received a state permit by notification also obtain a town permit. The permit is issued by the Zoning Officer after completion of an application (basically describing the project) and the receipt of one copy of the state application materials and the state issued permit by notification. In the past, many of these projects required a special exception granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. This change will simplify applications for small projects by eliminating the need for the applicant to go to the ZBA. The final sentence says that Table 304.5 which lists uses in the Shore front district will be updated to show this change.

Ballot Language: **ARTICLE 2:** (To vote by Official Ballot):
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Add section 304.6.1 to the zoning ordinance to require a town permit for construction, excavation, and filling within the protected shoreland. The Freedom Zoning Officer will issue a zoning permit upon receipt of an application and reviewing the state application materials and the state permit. If this ARTICLE passes, table 304.5 will be revised to reflect this change.

Amendment #2: Repeal section 304.6.3.2

Explanation: The current zoning ordinance allows the Zoning Officer to grant permits (without the need for the applicant to go to the Zoning Board of Adjustment) on construction projects not exceeding 600 square feet of disturbance. If Amendment #1 (section 304.6.2) passes, all of the projects included in this section will be covered by Amendment #1, so this amendment asks for its repeal. The final sentence says that, if Amendment #1 does not pass, this section will stay in effect.

Ballot Language: **ARTICLE 3:** (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Repeal section 304.6.3.2 Construction Not Exceeding 600 Square Feet of Disturbance because the adoption of section 304.6.1 will cover all construction projects of 600 feet and under. The repeal of this article shall become effective only if ARTICLE 2 (amendment 1, above) is adopted.

Amendment #3 Change the 10% Coverage Calculation in Section 310.1.5

Explanation: The current ordinance requires that all structures on a lot not exceed 10% of the lot's area. The current calculation contains the area of all "structures," including walls, stairs to the water, decks that may allow water to go into the ground (rather than into the water body). On small lots, this can be constraining.

This amendment would change the 10% coverage calculation to include the area of the lot covered by roofs. For example, if an applicant is proposing to add a covered porch or a garage, the area of the structure would be included. If the addition is a

deck that allows water to percolate into the ground, not run off into the lake, the area of the deck would not be included.

In most cases, these projects would also be subject to the permit by notification requirement described in Amendment #1 above. So, the Zoning Officer, in giving a permit under this section of the ordinance, would also be looking for the state permit by notification-with its erosion control plans, which protect water quality.

Ballot Language: ARTICLE 4: (To vote by Official Ballot):
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Change section 310.1.5, the 10% coverage rule for structures on lots, to change the method of calculating the coverage to include area of the lot covered by roofs. (Amendment #1, adding section 304.6.1, will cover all other impervious surfaces.)

Amendment #4: Allow Certified Arborists to Give Opinions on Dead, Diseased, or Unsafe Trees

Explanation: Currently, property owners who have dead, diseased, or unsafe trees on their property must get a permit to remove the tree(s) from the Zoning Officer. If the zoning officer can determine that the tree is dead, diseased, or unsafe by visual inspection, he will issue a permit. If, after visual inspection, the Zoning Officer is not sure of the condition, the current ordinance requires the opinion of a licensed NH forester. The amendment would allow a certified arborist or a licensed NH forester to provide an opinion.

Ballot Language ARTICLE 5: (To vote by Official Ballot):
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Modify the requirements in section 304.6.5.7 regarding cutting dead, diseased, and unsafe trees to allow an applicant wishing to remove dead, diseased, or unsafe trees to obtain the opinion of a certified arborist as well as licensed NH forester to attest to the condition of the tree(s).

Amendment #5: Add a Definition of Living Space to the Zoning Ordinance

Explanation: The ordinance contains a definition of a dwelling unit and specifies the requirements and limitations of adding a dwelling unit to any lot. Some property owners want to use out buildings or other structures as "living space," but the ordinance does not address what living space is. The proposed definition is: "Living space is space used for recreational activities, sleeping, storage, or other uses accessory to the primary home. Living space cannot include a stove and/or other cooking appliances. Inclusion of a stove or other cooking appliances creates a dwelling unit. Any living space used for sleeping must meet all building code and life safety requirements."

This amendment asks you to approve the addition of a definition of living space to the ordinance.

Ballot Language: ARTICLE 6: (To vote by Official Ballot):
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Add a definition of living space to section 1802 to clarify what living space is and the requirements for using parts of structures as living space.

Lastly, I would like to thank the board members who worked so diligently this year: Peter Park, Vice Chair, Bill Elliott, Jean Marshall, Janet Meyers, Maynard Thomson, and Les Babb, Selectmen's representative. I'd also like to thank Dianne Park, our recording secretary who makes great sense out of complex conversations, and Linda Farinella, whose work behind the scenes keeps the board going.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Cunningham
Chair

NOTICE OF MEETINGS
2015

The regular monthly meetings of the **Freedom Planning Board** are listed below. Meetings are held on the third Thursday at the Freedom Town Hall commencing at 7:00 pm.

Completed applications must be submitted by the closing date noted. Items submitted either after this date or incompletely filled out, will not be placed on the agenda; such applications will be deferred.

Application Submittal Closing Deadline	Regular Planning Board Meeting
December 24, 2014	January 15, 2015
January 29, 2015	February 19, 2015
February 26, 2015	March 19, 2015
March 26, 2015	April 16, 2015
April 30, 20112	May 21, 2015
May 28, 2015	June 18, 2015
June 25, 2015	July 16, 2015
July 30, 2015	August 20, 2015
August 27, 2015	September 17, 2015
September 24, 2015	October 15, 2015
October 29, 2015	November 19, 2015
November 25, 2015	December 17, 2015

ZONING OFFICER

It is time again for the annual Zoning Officer report. Details of the number of new homes and additions can be found in the Building Inspector's report, which leaves room to consider zoning from a broader view. As Zoning Officer, I am involved with the practicality of zoning which occurs when an applicant presents a proposal for a project involving land use; that is when the applicant either meets the conditions to carry out his/her project, or not.

Having a zoning ordinance is having a written code which directs what landowners can or cannot do on their properties. That is generally true, but what if the small size (for example) of the property prohibits the building of a garage without going into the setbacks because of the lack of space? Or what if there is a large boulder (erratic) in the way, or a large depression prohibiting the positioning of the building any where but in the setbacks? Is it reasonable, and in the spirit of an ordinance, that safety from ice and snow outweigh prohibitory wording of an ordinance? An applicant may get relief from the Zoning Board of Adjustment through a variance, and therefore in some cases, within the guidelines it is required to follow, the Board can allow reasonable requests where the benefit to the applicant outweighs the strict letter of the code. This may seem contrary to the purpose of an ordinance, but is rather part of the core of the Zoning Board's role.

A zoning ordinance therefore protects a town from unreasonable impacts, while allowing requests for projects with reasonable requests. No ordinance is perfect, and there are "what ifs" that can be pointed out, even in the simple example above. An ordinance is a working document which can be, and often is, in Freedom, changed. It is a positive document if composed to allow people to do what is reasonable with their land yet protecting the health, safety and general welfare of the people. It is a detailed working expression of the broader view of zoning (Master Plan) voted by the Planning Board, representatives of the people.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ned Hatfield, Zoning Officer

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
REPORT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment reviewed 22 cases in 2014; thirteen of those applications included requests for dimensional variances (requests to build new structures or additions which are located at least in part in the side, front, or rear setbacks). Many of the applications were modified by the applicant to satisfy concerns of the Board and abutters. All were granted approval with the exception of the two cases still open and two withdrawn. The Board also;

- Granted a special exception to allow Timothy G. Reed Revocable Trust and Jeffrey Reed to replace an existing retaining wall that required erosion control in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Wayne Wenzel to construct a garage requiring erosion control in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Sherwood Forest, LLC to replace sona tubes requiring erosion control in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Franklin and Deborah Sanborn to change from a single apartment unit to two apartment units and continue retail store in the Light Commercial District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Edward Hennessey and Harriet Fishman to rebuild home requiring erosion control within the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Wittrock Revocable Trust to remove trees and replace failed septic in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Thomas Murray a home occupation.
- Granted a special exception to allow George Hecker to replace a septic system requiring erosion control within the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Mark and Susan Goldstein to replace an existing stone retaining wall including relocating, reorganizing and replacing stones and stairs that required erosion control within the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow John Femino to replace a boat house foundation requiring erosion control within the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to Camp Cody to relocate five cabins further from the lake requiring erosion control within the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to Robert Bergevin and Pauline Dunlap to cut trees and construct a foundation and septic requiring erosion control within the Shore Front Setback.

Special exceptions are uses that are allowed provided criteria outlined in the Town Zoning Ordinance are met.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Lees Chairman

NOTICE OF MEETINGS
2015

Application Submittal Closing Deadline	Regular ZBA Meeting
January 12, 2015	January 27, 2015
February 9, 2015	February 24, 2015
March 9, 2015	March 24, 2015
April 13, 2015	April 28, 2015
May 11, 2015	May 26, 2015
June 8, 2015	June 23, 2015
July 13, 2015	July 28, 2015
August 10, 2015	August 25, 2015
September 8, 2015	September 22, 2015
October 13, 2015	October 27, 2015
November 9, 2015	November 24, 2015
November 30, 2015	December 15, 2015

BUILDING CODE REPORT

Building permits and housing starts were down slightly from last year, as was the value of construction.

Large house construction of the past couple of years has slowed down and most new houses being built today are of the smaller single family type.

Remodeling is going pretty strong with second homes being sold or turned into full-time housing.

Total Permits for the years were 138
Fees received were $13,614.54

Value of construction was $3,207,700.00

I am into my sixth year as Building Inspector and as always it has been a pleasure.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert M. Babine
Building Code Officer

FREEDOM CONSERVATION COMMISSION (FCC)

Freedom Conservation Committee

The FCC meets monthly and we go over applications (Intent to Cut, ZBA Shorefront, and Wetlands Bureau Permits) and all issues related to protecting Conservation in Freedom.

The Forest Advisory Committee reports each month on the Town Forest.

Some of our goals and Objectives are.

Policy, Documents and Forms:

Review and update all FCC policy, procedures, maps and forms

Compile accurate public land holdings to include:

Location, property size, % of total Town land, public land holdings comparisons with other communities, boat ramps, beaches, and waterways.

Re-design and simplify FCC work requests forms and mandate FCC review and approval prior to any work with potential environmental impact including septic.

Enforcement:

Establish enforcement policy for infractions of FCC regulations and coordinate with other Town Boards as necessary

Develop onsite inspection procedure for work requests

Mandate written approval by FCC of all work requests

Education:

Conduct presentations to educate local residents, including seasonal residents regarding FCC ongoing initiatives

Conduct tours of Town Forest

Maintain updated pamphlets and maps at kiosks

Financials:

Review all FCC accounts, invoices, grants, and statements as needed

Put any work out to bid per Town guidelines

Training:

Conduct required training as required and/ or available

Invite quest speakers to FCC meetings, and invite public

Respectfully Submitted by the Freedom Conservation Board

Michael Gaudette (chairman), Rob Hatch (member and FAC Chairman),Greg Bossart, Bill Elliott, Alice Custard, John Roman, Paul Elie, Sue Hoople (alternate)

We would like to thank our great recording staff, Dianne Park and Linda Farinella and Karen Hatch for keeping us informed.

FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Town Forest is now on the eve of its 10th year. Timber harvests to date have been conducted with a mindset to revitalize the forest for sustainability of future growth, and promote increased wildlife habitat. Our Forester BH Keith Associates has done a great job in what Barry calls, "fixing a bad haircut", from the years before, where the forest was subject to chaotic high grade timber harvests. With Best Management Practices applied, after 10 years, we are now at a point where we have "cleaned up" the Town Forest and established a good mix of ideal forest habitat for the widest possible range and benefit of wildlife habitat, timber sustainability, and recreational uses.

In preparation of the ten year anniversary, the FAC has been focused on the required 10 year update to the Stewardship Plan overseen by the State.

In tandem, a Wildlife Habitat Plan for the Forest is nearly completed, and will serve as an ongoing supplement and guideline for forest management projects to the benefit of sustaining and improving wildlife habitat on the property. Aside from routine maintenance, and day to operations, the FAC is also working on another special project; a pictorial power point presentation outlining all the many development of the Town Forest to date. We are planning for completion by October of this year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hatch, Chairman

FREEDOM AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE (FAISC)

Invasive species are becoming a significant challenge throughout the country and New Hampshire has not avoided these destructive assaults. We are currently focused on variable milfoil - an aquatic invasive plant that is remarkably adaptable. Complete eradication is practically impossible so our plans deal with minimizing current infestations through active management and employing preventative measures to reduce the risk of new plant colonies.
In order to provide more focus on aquatic invasive species, the Freedom Board of Selectmen stood up a new committee in 2014 with the sole focus of managing the control of aquatic invasive species in our lakes, streams, and ponds. The charter of this group is as follows:

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee is appointed by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of identifying and reporting on all aquatic invasive species in Freedom's lakes and streams and recommends treatment for same.

SCOPE:

1. In conjunction with New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, recommend any needed treatments. Pursue all avenues for funding and pricing for treatments including grants.
2. Oversee all treatments and expenditures with state certified suppliers.
3. Maintain close communication with lake abutters within treatment areas.
4. Implement and oversee any educational and preventative programs.
5. Coordinate with other towns that are part of Lake Ossipee watershed.
6. Represent the town in the pursuit of funding and oversight of aquatic invasive species.
7. Publicize efforts to Freedom residents, taxpayers and to the general public.
8. Undertake any and all other activities authorized by the Board of Selectmen.

Human activity is believed to be the primary mechanism for the spreading of variable milfoil. Therefore, educating all of our water body users is essential to our work. In order to take a more proactive approach to the problem of invasive species, we again applied for and received a Lake Host grant, from New Hampshire Lakes Association, that allowed us to conduct boat inspections and provide education to visitors of Lake Ossipee and its bays. Through the support of Kevin Price, owner of Ossipee Lake Marina, and his general manager Tim Kupka, we were able to conduct over 600 boat inspections last summer at this location!

One of the most enjoyable aspects of our FAISC efforts is being on the lakes and ponds as we:

- Conduct surveys to look for new infestations and to characterize existing milfoil sites.
- Work with contractors as we help them to prioritize the work and ensure local support.
- Respond to calls from concerned citizens who think that they may have identified milfoil.

We continue to work closely with the milfoil groups of Effingham and Ossipee to communicate what we are doing as well as to learn from their progress.

Once again in 2014 we took a dual path approach to milfoil control:

- Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) - services provided by New England Milfoil
- Herbicide treatment - services provided by Aquatic Control Technologies

We were fortunate to receive NHDES grants again this year to supplement out local funding sources. Spending for 2014 is summarized as follows:

- $6,500. Budget line item
- $8,261. Milfoil gifts (citizens and businesses)
- $7,333. Grant reimbursements from NHDES
- $811. Admin.
- Total Spend = $22,917.

DASH efforts began in the June timeframe and continued through October as we worked a number of areas in Middle Danforth, the channel to Upper Danforth, Upper Danforth (a.k.a. Huckins Pond), the Ossipee River and near the Ossipee Lake Marina. Due to the late ice-out in the spring, initial growth was reduced from past years, however, as the season progressed and warm weather persisted, growth increased. A total of 14 days of work was completed.

In June we did a herbicide treatment that included 11 acres of Middle Danforth and Upper Danforth (Huckins Pond). That was followed by a much smaller herbicide treatment (2.7 acres) in September.

Feedback from lake abutters has been positive towards all of this work. A number of residents are again able to use their swimming areas due to the significant reduction of variable milfoil.

Based on fall survey results, NHDES updated our milfoil management plan and proposed work for 2015. We were able to apply for and be awarded a state grant that covered 25% of the cost of 2015 efforts including up to $8,811. for a combination of DASH/hand pulling and/or herbicide treatment. Note that 2015

grants do not enjoy the increased funding provided by the increased boater registration fees - that begins in 2016.

FAISC COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Gerard Costantino, Bill Elliott, Bruce Howlett, Ned Kucera (Co-chair), and Jim McElroy (Chair).

TECHNICAL/ADMIN. SUPPORT

We thank the town administrative staff, Karen Hatch, Linda Farinella, and Dianne Park who support us with timely and accurate schedules, meeting notes and postings.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim McElroy, Chairman FAISC

2015 FAISC MEETING DATES

January 8
February - No meeting
March 12
April - No meeting
May 14
June 11
July 9
August 13
September 10
October 8
November 12
December - No meeting

HERITAGE COMMISSION

This Commission was established at the March 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of researching and recording the history of buildings and land features in the Town of Freedom, NH, offering education to the public and responding to the Town's Board and private organizations and individuals on their questions regarding these matters.

The seven members and five alternates meet five times a year to report, plan and transact formal business of the Commission. Agenda and approved meeting minutes are available on the Town Web Site and in printed form at the Town Office. The public is always welcome at these meetings and to participate in the activities.

The real work is done by members, associates and friends outside of the meetings. We have a list of projects that will take years to accomplish. During 2014 our efforts were focused on:

- Apply for approval to place the Town Hall on the State Registry of Historical Places. Town Office was registered and approved in 2011. The Bandstand was approved in 2012. The Roller Barn and Masonic Lodge were approved in 2013. The Town Hall was approved in 2014 in time for the 125th. Anniversary celebration of this structure. A public presentation of this history was made at the November Community Club dinner.
- The Commission also led an effort to find sponsorship for a bronze plaque to be placed on the outside of Town Hall to inform visitors of the state designation. Net result was sponsorship for three plaques at no cost to the Town: Town Offices, Masonic Lodge & Town Hall.
- Inventories of sites are available digitally through the Freedom Historical Society. The Commission will continue to work with Town Administration on a procedure to have research information available to all on the internet.
- The Commission was available as a resource in the research for and application of the Village Store to be placed on the State Registry of Historical Places as it was being worked on by a college student intern as a class project. Results are expected in 2015.
- In cooperation with the Historical Society our member, Carol Foord conducted a very successful walking tour of the old Parade Grounds North East of Town Offices.during OHW.

Members and alternates contributed a total of 1,440 hours to the accomplishment of Commission business in 2014.

Sincerely,

Alan Fall - Chairperson	Ernie Day Jr. - Member and SB Rep.
Carol Foord - Vice-Chairperson	Scott Cunningham, Alternate
Bob Smart - Secretary/Treasurer	Lee Fritz, Alternate
Bonnie Burroughs, Member	Raymond Dahlstrom, Alternate
Gale Morris, Member	(open), Alternate
Peg Scully, Member	(open), Alternate

ROAD AGENT REPORT

2014 NOTES:

- Cold, Snowy, Icy January, February and March
- Additional Winter Sand Was Needed - 1/31/14 & 3/19/14
- Heavy Rain w/ Lightning - 2/27/14
- Reviewed Condition of Ossipee Lake Road w/ Selectmen - 3/7/14
- Posted Weight Limit Signs - 3/21/14 - 5/12/14
- Snow Equipment Cleaned for Storage - 4/21/14
- Sand Pile Area Clean Up Started - 5/1/14
- Conference w/ Selectmen Over 580L Backhoe - 6/2/14
- Joint Labor Management Safety Committee Meeting - 6/2/14
- Heavy Rain Causes Some Surface Erosion on Durgin Hill, Cold Brook, Youngs Hill, Perry, Burnham and Watson Hill Road - 7/3/14 - 7/4/14
- Snow 2 Inches - Plowing, Sanding & Salting Begins -11/14/14
- Power Is Out Many Places In Our Town - Trees & Limbs Have Downed Power Lines - Due to Heavy Wet Snow 15" Plus - 11/26/14
- Cleanup of Downed Trees - Freedom Point, Ossipee Lake, Bennett, Sherwood Forest, West Danforth, Mudgett, Abenaki, Pequawket, Haverhill, Pauli Point, Huckins, and Babcock Roads - 12/1/14 - 12/4/14
- December - Busy Month w/ Freezing Rain & Black Ice
- 12/25/14 - Rain - Temperature Ranges 33° - 38° at 4:30 a.m. and Swett Hill High of 40°

Educational Classes: Highway Crew

- Stormwater Run-Off Seminar - 3/17/14 & 3/18/14
- Culvert Maintenance Certification Class - 4/8/14

IMPROVEMENTS: Highway Crew

- Street, Traffic Signs & Traffic Signal Update
- Yellow Center Line & White Edge Line on Ossipee Lake, Bennett, Shawtown, Huckins and Moulton Roads
- Crack Sealing - Loon Lake, Moulton, Youngs Hill, Swett Hill, Ossipee Lake and Bennett Roads
- Road Side Mowing on all Town Roads
- New Asphalt Pad for Winter Sand Pile Constructed
- Graveling - Huckins, Haverhill, Babcock, North Broadbay, West Bay and Durgin Hill Roads (Portions Of)
- Shoulder Restoration - Danforth Turn, Ossipee Lake, Swett Hill, Rice Hill, Youngs Hill and Scarboro Roads
- Fine Graded & Prepped Gravel for Winter Sand Pad Ready for New Asphalt
- Resurfacing Paved Roads - Loon Lake, Ossipee Lake - Culvert Crossing Near Babcock Rd. and Snow Mobile Trail Crossing West of Shawtown Road

New or Replacement Culverts:

- Rice Hill Road - Replacement
- Cold Brook Road - Replacement
- Highway Garage - 4 ft. Catch Basin - 100 feet of 15" Culvert - New
- Burnham Road - Replacement
- Dry Hydrant Repair - Danforth Pond Location

Equipment Repairs & Maintenance: Highway Crew

- Rebuilt - 2001 Highway 3 yd. Stainless Steel Sander
- New Floor - 1999 Highway 5 yd. Stainless Steel Sander
- Head Board Repair on Sanders
- Poly Wafer Repair on MB Sweeper
- Security Camera Repair
- Chevy Tahoe Rust Repair & Restoration
- Transferred Two - Way Radio From 2000 CAT 924C to 2014 924K Loader
- Transferred Two - Way Radio From 580L Backhoe to 420F Loader Backhoe
- Installation of Warning Light 420F Loader Backhoe
- Installation of Warning Light Chevy Tahoe
- Replaced Lift Cylinder on 2006 F550

New Equipment:

- 9 ft. Housatonic Plow - Traded 9 ft. Fisher Plow
- 2014 CAT 924K Loader
- 2014 CAT 420F Loader Backhoe - Traded 1995 580L CASE Loader Backhoe
- 2004 Chevy Tahoe Transferred From Fire Dept. to Highway Dept.

Equipment Rentals:

- 320 Excavator
- M318 Rubber Tired Excavator
- Vibratory Roll
- Screen - All
- D5M Dozer

Equipment Borrowed:

- Steel Horses
- 7 Ton Tag Along Trailer
- Laser Level
- Reverse Plate Compactor

New Fabrications:

- Steel Horses Constructed
- Welded Lift Eye in 924K Loader Bucket
- Welded Lift Hooks on 924K Loader Bucket
- Welded Lift Eye in 420F Loader Backhoe Bucket
- Welded Lift Hooks on 420F Loader Backhoe Bucket
- Constructed Carrying Bracket on 1985 Tank Truck to Make Easy On & Off to Carry the 3" Pump

Durgin Hill Road:

Three Straight Weeks of Ditch Establishment and Cleaning, Culvert Locating, Cleaned and Now Functioning , 90 ft. of 15" Culvert Replacement, Ditched Material Screened Blended w/ New ¾" CBRG Installed Back on Durgin Hill Rd., Applied Magnesium Chloride Dust Control

I want to especially thank my Highway Crew for all of their efforts, hard work, and cooperative dedication in the maintenance of our roads and properties - and to all who contribute and support our successful town growth. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott N. Brooks Sr.
Road Agent

FREEDOM OLD HOME WEEK

This year was the 116th celebration of Freedom Old Home Week, from Friday evening August 1st through Sunday, August 10th. The theme for 2014 was "Freedom…A Place For All Seasons" which was broad enough to capture the myriad of activities that we all enjoy in Freedom year round. The winning parade entry was a float by the Truelove family that displayed almost every conceivable activity that residents and visitors enjoy. The tee shirt design was a creation by Jim Tinguely, a seasonal resident, depicting a child enjoying an activity outside their home in each of the four seasons. Jim's work is also displayed at the Freedom Village Store.

Rubber Ducky Day, held the last Saturday in June, is our big event to raise money for all of the Old Home Week activities. Merchandise displaying our theme is first made available for sale on Ducky Day. The day was filled with fun activities and happenings all over town, at the library, church and store, to augment the party. The ever popular hay wagon rides and rides on Freedom's vintage fire truck were packed all day. The Mason's cooked up food for all to enjoy while waiting for the ducks to start racing over the falls. And for the children we had fun games and prizes while waiting for the big race. Of course, Mr. Ducky came back to town again for the event and is now part of a lot of selfies! Ticket sales were brisk up until race time; 1,100 tickets were sold for the race. During the race, the bridge was packed with spectators that audibly sighed when the lead ducks were caught by the stones at the top of the falls. Three lucky winners were presented with their cash prizes.

During Old Home Week there were numerous sightings of very ominous rain clouds but only one event, water sports, had a delayed start due to actual rain. We were always prepared to move events indoors in case of rain. The lawn party kicked off the week with Codfish Aristocracy again providing the background musical entertainment. The crowd was entertained with all sorts of food choices and the opportunity to meet up with new and old friends. And everyone got to meet the Grand Marshall for the parade, Daniel "Bud" Brooks.

Although there were threatening sprinkles before the start, the parade was perfect. The weather turned great and the route was packed with people to watch all of our favorite bands, family floats, summer camp groups, including the church's music camp, antique cars, fire equipment from area towns, and as it was an election year, there were plenty of politicians. A special parade addition this year was Freedom's own centenarian, Ted Acton, riding in a snazzy new Corvette.

The rest of the week continued with all of our popular events including the cardboard boat race, walks, a mountain hike, water and land sports, ping pong, canoe/kayak regatta, ice cream social, road race, tennis tournament and talent show. A new band was featured at the ice cream social, the Cedar Mountain Boys, bringing us great bluegrass music. Of course, they loved the Freedom audience and want to be invited back. Record crowds were at several of our events this year including the ice cream social, talent show, road race and bingo.

New this year in the event lineup was an artist led painting event. Everyone was able to complete in one evening a piece of art to hang in their home. Also new this

year was outsourcing the bingo event to the Freedom Eagles PTA.

We would like to thank all of the alliances that are in place throughout the community for their support of Old Home Week by bringing all the events that are not run by the Old Home Week Committee. Notably, the Freedom Library and Friends of the Library for their many popular programs, book and bake sales and raffle; the First Christian Church for their welcome home breakfast and music camp performance as well as the blessing of the animals and quilt, bike and bake sales ; the Masons for providing breakfast on parade day and ice cream at the social; the Old White Meeting House Association for their fair and luncheon after the parade; Freedom Village Condos for their support of the cardboard boat races and the Freedom Fire Department Women's Auxiliary for serving treats at those races; the Freedom Village Store for selling Old Home Week merchandise and for food on parade day; the Freedom Conservation Commission and Forest Advisory Committee for hike leaders; the Ossipee Lake Alliance for providing a noted evening speaker; Freedom's Historical Society for their open house and for their historical walk working with the Freedom Heritage Commission; the Ossipee Lake Beach Club for use of their facilities for the regatta; Freedom Eagles PTA for running the bingo event; Freedom Community Club for running the craft fair; NH Fish & Game for supporting the fishing skills event; and the Freedom Fire Department for providing the lobster supper. And thank you to the staff and counselors at Camp Huckins and Camp Calumet for running, respectively, the water and land sports events.

We would like to thank the town for their financial support and all the local sponsors who support our programs. Notably, we would like to thank those local businesses that financially support the road race event; James C. Farinella Building & Remodeling, Gerard Constantino Real Estate, Paul Wheeler of RE/MAX Presidential Real Estate, and Les Babb of Freedom Automotive. And thanks to all the Old Home Week committee members, all the many event volunteers, land owners and automobile owners, police and fire departments, town officials and Freedom's residents and visitors who made this event a success, fun for all ages, while preserving Freedom's history of the spirit of an Old Home Week celebration. Watch our website, freedomoldhomeweek.org, and our Facebook page, Freedom Old Home Week, for 2015's activities. Rubber Ducky Day is scheduled for June 27th and Old Home Week will run from July 31st through August 9th in 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Stoddard, Chairperson, Old Home Week Committee 2014

Old Home Week Committee Members and Event Leaders:

Susan Marks (Vice Chair), Sylvia Carney (Secretary), Janet Myers (Treasurer), Wendy Barrett-Manhard, Neal Boyle, Sharon Boggess, Gail Bizer, Howie Bouve, Cindy Clancy, Bill and Maureen Elliott, Bonnie and Paul Elie, Carol Foord, Lee Fritz, Michael Gaudette, Rick Gleeson, Nancy Griffin, Arlene Knight, John Krebs, Dick Many, Wendell and Terry Packard, Nikki Pare, Alice Peterson, Helen Probert, Kim Reis, Elizabeth Rhymer, Judy Robertson, Marcia and Lynn Santner, John Shipman, Bob Smart, Dan Spear, Ellie Stokes, Brian Taylor, Kelly Taylor, Paul Tung, Larry Wogman

OSSIPEE LAKE DAM AUTHORITY'S REPORT

The following is a report of the expense of the Dam Authority for the year 2014. Figures for the split between the two towns are based on the assessed equalized value of the two towns. These figures are furnished by the State of New Hampshire, D.R.A

Sum Required By DES	**$30,000.00**
Expenditures:	**$14,420.04**

Equalization Assessment Value

Ossipee	**651,313,132.00**	**59.6% of $14,420.04 = $8,594.34**
Freedom	**441,224,912.00**	**40.4% of $14,420.04 = $5,825.69**

These figures are revised each and every year, in order to bring the deficit of the past year up to $30,000.00, the beginning balance of the coming year.

The following is a report of expenses for the Dam Authority for the year 2014.

Postmaster	**$48.20**
Fairpoint	**537.58**
PSNH	**204.46**
John Picard/Chairman (salary)	**5,000.00**
Robert Houle/Tres./Sec. (salary)	**500.00**
Snow Removal	**480.00**
DES Bearcamp Gauge	**7,650.00**
Expense	**$14,420.04**

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert F. Houle
Secretary/Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
December 31, 2014

				PRINCIPAL				INCOME			
DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE START OF YEAR	NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE ADDED TO PRIN	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
	COMMON TRUST:										
1919	Nancy Skillings	Cem P/C	CD	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1919	Nancy Burns	All	All	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1922	Lord & Fowler			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1922	Eliza A Alley			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1924	Ina E Foss			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1924	Metcalf & Cushing			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1924	M C & Stephen Allard			150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	1.04	1.04	0.00	150.00
1924	Edward H Nason			210.00	0.00	0.00	210.00	1.46	1.46	0.00	210.00
1925	A R & Lilla Bennett			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1927	F W Towle			500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	3.47	3.47	0.00	500.00
1927	Parsons Yard			700.00	0.00	0.00	700.00	4.85	4.85	0.00	700.00
1927	J C Libby & V H Connors Lots			500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	3.47	3.47	0.00	500.00
1928	John W Smith			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1928	Jennie Meserve			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1932	James Wood			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1935	George W Chase			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1937	Joseph H Corson			50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.35	0.35	0.00	50.00
1937	Hulda J Downing			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1938	Godfrey Fund			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1939	Frank P Corson			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1939	Lavinia F Farnsworth			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1939	Howard B Moulton			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1940	Ellen Mitchel			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1941	Stevens,Sweetser,Marston,Harmon			450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	3.12	3.12	0.00	450.00
	TOTAL			4,560.00	0.00	0.00	4,560.00	31.61	31.61	0.00	4,560.00

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DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE START OF YEAR	NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE ADDED TO PRIN	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
	COMMON TRUST:										
1943	Jessie Drew	Cem P/C	CD	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1948	Jessie S Allard	All	All	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1952	Minnie R Towle			112.00	0.00	0.00	112.00	0.78	0.78	0.00	112.00
1952	John J Giles			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1953	Carrie B Moses			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1957	Minnie A Eastman			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1957	F M Meloon & J M Parsons			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1958	Elsie M Thurston			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1958	Ernest A Leavitt			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1958	Kezar Cemetery Fund			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1958	Moulton Cemetery			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1959	George & Alfreda Hayes			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1960	Chester H Drake			500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	3.47	3.47	0.00	500.00
1963	Emelie P Holmgren			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1963	Charles H Watts			450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	3.12	3.12	0.00	450.00
1963	Nelson C Works			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1965	Giles Lot - Swetts Hill			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1965	Cutting Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1965	Andrews Lot			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1966	Lord Cemetery			2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	13.86	13.86	0.00	2,000.00
1966	Florence Seymore			500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	3.47	3.47	0.00	500.00
1968	John Works			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1968	John C & Marie Lee			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1968	Jesse Nason & Beck Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
	TOTAL			10,622.00	0.00	0.00	10,622.00	73.63	73.63	0.00	10,622.00

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TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
December 31, 2014

DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	PRINCIPAL BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL NEW FUNDS	PRINCIPAL EXPENDED DURING YEAR	PRINCIPAL BALANCE END OF YEAR	INCOME CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME EXPENDED DURING YEAR	INCOME BALANCE ADDED TO PRIN	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
	COMMON TRUST:										
1969	Albert Phinney	Cem P/C	CD	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	1.04	1.04	0.00	150.00
1969	Drake Lot	All	All	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	2.08	2.08	0.00	300.00
1972	Lord Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1973	B F Allard & J Durgin			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1976	Charles Bryant Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1977	David Smith Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1977	Albion & Alonzo Pease Lot			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1982	Winston V & Margaret Morrow			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1982	Stephen & Elmira Danforth			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1987	Ernest & Rachel Mulvery			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1988	Gordon D Stokes			800.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	5.55	5.55	0.00	800.00
1988	Pauline Sargent Rounds			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.39	1.39	0.00	200.00
1988	Abe Sargent			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1988	Frederick & Elisabeth Towle			300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	2.08	2.08	0.00	300.00
1988	Mary S Morrison			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1989	Charles & Mary H Stewart			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1989	William A & Sally Stoops			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
1989	David Sargent			40.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.28	0.28	0.00	40.00
1999	Town Cemetery Fund			1,841.00	0.00	0.00	1,841.00	12.76	12.76	0.00	1,841.00
	TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS			15,653.00	0.00	0.00	15,653.00	108.50	108.50	0.00	15,653.00
1938	Belinda C Wood	Library	CD	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	6.94	6.94	0.00	1,000.00
1985	Ernest Myrick	Library	CD	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.69	0.69	0.00	100.00
	TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS			1,100.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00	7.63	7.63	0.00	1,100.00
	TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUNDS			**16,753.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**16,753.00**	**116.13**	**116.13**	**0.00**	**16,753.00**

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
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				PRINCIPAL				INCOME			
DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE START OF YEAR	NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	INCOME ADDED TO PRIN	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
	GENERAL FUNDS:										
	Expendable Trust Funds:										
2001	Special Education	School District	CD	62,752.99	20,000.00	0.00	82,752.99	561.68	0.00	561.68	83,314.67
2002	Road Right-of-Way	Road Right of Way	CD	5,919.70	0.00	0.00	5,919.70	41.03	0.00	41.03	5,960.73
2006	Milfoil Removal	Remediation of Milfoil	CD	7,533.65	0.00	0.00	7,533.65	52.22	0.00	52.22	7,585.87
2009	Freedom Public Library	Maintain Bldg & Equipment	CD	10,674.87	2,100.00	0.00	12,774.87	75.11	0.00	75.11	12,849.98
	TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS			**86,881.21**	**22,100.00**	**0.00**	**108,981.21**	**730.04**	**0.00**	**730.04**	**109,711.25**
	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:										
1996	School Bus	School District	CD	68,933.49	20,000.00	0.00	88,933.49	604.52	0.00	604.52	89,538.01
1989	Highway Equipment Fund	Equipment	CD	60,817.16	20,000.00	59,000.00	21,817.16	363.97	0.00	363.97	22,181.13
2002	Fire Department Equipment	Equipment	CD	29,977.18	11,000.00	0.00	40,977.18	213.62	0.00	213.62	41,190.80
2006	Municipal Land & Building	Town Buildings & Land	CD	43,426.97	12,000.00	0.00	55,426.97	307.40	0.00	307.40	55,734.37
2007	Transfer Station Equipment	Equipment	CD	15,595.89	0.00	0.00	15,595.89	108.10	0.00	108.10	15,703.99
2009	School Building Maintenance	School District Bldg Maint	CD	35,893.75	7,000.00	0.00	42,893.75	293.18	0.00	293.18	43,186.93
2011	Police Dept. Equipment	Equipment	CD	5,223.49	10,000.00	0.00	15,223.49	41.50	0.00	41.50	15,264.99
2011	Town Hall and Office	Maint Town Hall/Office Bldg	CD	20,119.91	0.00	0.00	20,119.91	139.46	0.00	139.46	20,259.37
2012	Highway Drainage Struct Improv	Rplc Failing Drainage Infrastr	CD	10,075.75	0.00	0.00	10,075.75	69.83	0.00	69.83	10,145.58
2014	School Technology	School District	CD	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	63.36	0.00	63.36	10,063.36
2014	Water Systems Repairs Fund	Rprs to Existing Water Sys	CD	0.00	17,555.00	2,056.00	15,499.00	28.20	0.00	28.20	15,527.20
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVES			**290,063.59**	**107,555.00**	**61,056.00**	**336,562.59**	**2,233.14**	**0.00**	**2,233.14**	**338,795.73**
	TOTAL ALL TRUST FUNDS			**393,697.80**	**129,655.00**	**61,056.00**	**462,296.80**	**3,079.31**	**116.13**	**2,963.18**	**465,259.98**

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DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	PRINCIPAL: BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL: NEW FUNDS	PRINCIPAL: GAINS OR (LOSSES)	PRINCIPAL: BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME: EXPENDED DURING YEAR	INCOME: BALANCE ADDED TO PRIN	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
TD Bank	Cem P/C	CD	15,653.00	0.00	0.00	15,653.00	108.50	108.50	0.00	15,653.00
TD Bank	Library	CD	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00	7.63	7.63	0.00	1,100.00
TOTALS			**16,753.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**16,753.00**	**116.13**	**116.13**	**0.00**	**16,753.00**

BIRTHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father/Partner	Name of Mother	Place of Birth
05/27/14	Morrow, Hadley Caroline	Morrow, Winston III	Morrow, Leah	N. Conway
11/02/14	Barboza, Amelia Rose	Barboza, Eric	Barboza, Angela	N. Conway
11/22/14	Smith, Bianca Evelyn	Smith, Matthew	Smith, Aleksandra	N. Conway

Respectfully submitted,
A.Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
03/20/14	N. Conway	Thurlow, Doris	Gaouette, George	Ploof, Hellen
04/15/14	N. Conway	Bickford, Gail	Holmgren, John	Pope, Emilie
06/28/14	Freedom	Taylor, Heidi	Taylor, Jack	Swope, Mary E.
07/14/14	Lebanon	Wolter, Mary	Finney, William	Krabbe, Tess
08/02/14	Freedom	Stokes, Emery	Stokes, Samuel	Oliver, Murial
08/10/14	Wolfeboro	MacKinney, Herbert	MacKinney, Frederick	Bailey, Bertha
08/24/14	N. Conway	Mayhew, Kelsie Jr.	Mayhew, Kelsie	Brogan, Mable
09/04/14	Wolfeboro	Ducharme, Henry	Ducharme, Henry	Ouellette, Bertha
09/24/14	Meredith	Schenker, Sarah	Nielsen, Carl	Andersen, Marie
10/15/14	Bartlett	Foley, Cristin	Foley, James	Redmond, Sheila
10/24/14	Freedom	MacKinney, Ida	Lotito, Joseph	Zarella, Josephine
11/09/14	Wolfeboro	Talbot, Paul	Talbot, Robert	McCool, Margaret
11/25/14	Freedom	Lawrence, David	Lawrence, Melvin	Blair, Agnes

Respectfully submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

MARRIAGES REGISTERED THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Person A and Person B	Residence at time of marriage
05/02/14	DeMartino, Jeffrey E. Dore, Sarah E.	Madison, NH Freedom, NH
08/09/14	Johnson, Darlene Pisano, John	Natick, MA Natick, MA
09/06/14	Trottier, Jesse R. Dubois, Aimee E.	Dover, NH Dover, NH
09/13/14	Spofford, Douglas J. Ahearn, Erin M. M.	Swampscott, MA Swampscott, MA
09/20/14	O'Leary, James B. Drown, Katelyn	Freedom, NH Freedom, NH
10/18/14	McCue, Eric G. Armstrong, Dallas L.	Brewer, ME Brewer, ME

Respectfully submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

NOTICE

If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.

Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

- During you ownership, without your consent; or
- Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger.

To restore your property to pre-merger status, you must:

- Make a request to the local governing body
- No later than December 31, 2016

Once restored:

- Your properties will once again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

This notice must be:

- *Posted continuously in a public place from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2016, and*
- *Published in the 2011 through 2015 Annual Report.*

Read the full statute at RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntary Merged Lots

TOWN OF FREEDOM
REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Board or Committee of interest? _____

Resident: Yes/No (circle one) Registered Voter: Yes/No(circle one)

How long have you lived in Freedom? _____

Are you able to attend monthly meetings? _____

Have you served on any commissions or boards? _____

If so, which ones? _____

If not, what is your background or experience pertaining to this board or committee? _____

Are you willing to attend classes and/or seminars to educate yourself about laws and procedures for the desired position? _____

Current clubs or organizations you are affiliated with:_____

_____

In your own words, why do you want to serve on this board or committee and what can you contribute?_____

_____

(Please use back or additional sheet, if necessary)

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Please return this form to the Freedom Town Office or mail to:

Freedom Board of Selectmen

PO Box 227 Freedom, NH 03836

SELECTMEN
Leslie Babb, Chairman
Ernest Day, Jr.
Neal Boyle
Hours:
Monday 6:30 pm
Telephone: 539-6323

TOWN OFFICE HOURS
Monday thru Thurs 8am to 3pm
Telephone: 539-6323

TOWN CLERK
A. Elizabeth Priebe
Office Hours:
Monday Evenings 6:30 to 8pm
Tuesday 12 noon to 8pm
Wednesday 9am to 3pm & 6:30 to 8pm
Saturday: 9am to 12 noon
Telephone: 539-8269

TAX COLLECTOR
Annette Babb
Office Hours: Dec-Mar
Monday 11am - 1pm
Wednesday 1pm - 3pm
Saturday 9am - 12pm
Telephone: 539-5572

ZONING OFFICER
Ned Hatfield
Office Hours:
Thursday 9am - 2pm
Telephone 539-6323

BUILDING CODE OFFICER
Robert Babine
Office Hours:
Thursday 9am - 2pm
Telephone: 539-6323

Meeting times and office hours are subject to change.

TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSINGS
Memorial Day 05/25/15
Labor Day 09/07/15
Columbus Day 10/12/15
Veteran's Day 11/11/15
Thanksgiving Day 11/26/15
Christmas Eve 12/24/15
Civil Rights Day 01/18/16
Presidents Day 02/15/16

TOWN CLERK'S HOLIDAY & ELECTION DAY CLOSINGS
Town Meeting -Part 1 03/10/15
Town Meeting - Part 2 03/14/2015
Memorial Day Weekend
05/23/15 & 5/25/15
Old Home Day 08/01/15
Labor Day Weekend
09/05/15 & 09/07/15
Columbus Day 10/12/15
Veteran's Day 11/11/15
Civil Rights Day 01/18/16
President's Day 02/15/16
Town Meeting 03/08/16

TRANSFER/RECYCLING FACILITY
Winter Hours:
Begins Labor Day Week
Tues. & Sat. 8 am to 4pm
Sunday 9am to 4pm

Summer Hours:
Begins Memorial Day Weekend
Tues., Thurs., Sat. & Sunday
8am to 5pm
Telephone: 539-5364